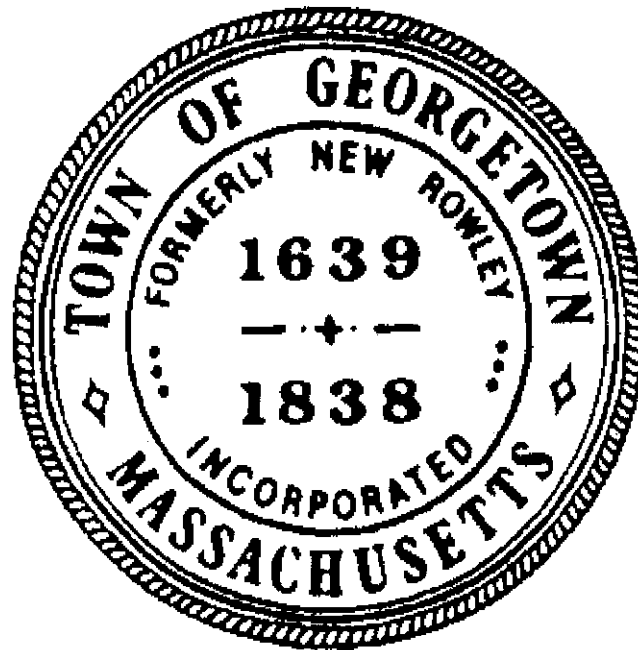


**THE ANNUAL TOWN REPORT OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGETOWN**



FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015

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TOWN REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2016

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Georgetown Board of Selectmen is pleased to submit to the residents of Georgetown our annual report for the fiscal year 2016 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015). The Board of Selectmen is comprised of five members, who are elected individuals and volunteers, entrusted with the responsibility to set policy and oversee the management of municipal functions of local government. The Board meets regularly on every other Monday evening to conduct the business of the Town. Meetings are open to all interested citizens and are broadcast on cable television's community channels as well as reported by the local newspapers. Throughout this past year, the Board carried out the usual array of governance functions that occur in any year – setting fiscal, administrative and operational policies, personnel appointments, public safety reviews, resolutions to commemorate milestones, etc. The more noteworthy actions and event of FY 16 include:

Population Growth and Economy – According to the US Census data, the estimated population in Georgetown has grown from 8,183 persons in 2010 to 8,766 through 2015 – a growth of 10.7% over the period. Also, according to US Labor Department Statistics, as of July 1, 2015, the median home income for Georgetown was \$109,700 while unemployment rate was 3.4%, significantly better than the State unemployment average of 4.7%. Georgetown continues to remain a healthy and swift growing community.

Fire Chief Retires and New Fire Chief Hired - After nearly 30 years of firefighting, command and instruction, Fire Chief Al Beardsley retired from leading the Georgetown Fire Department after nearly seven great years of service. Deputy Chief Rusty Ricker assumed command as Interim Fire Chief while the selection committee proceeded to hire a new Fire Chief. The Selectmen appointed Fred Mitchell Jr. on Oct. 4. Chief Mitchell, formerly the deputy chief of the North Cumberland, R.I. department, and has 31 years of firefighting experience, assumed command.

Town Improvements – With the oversight of Mike Farrell, our Town Administrator and funds from our Community Preservation Commission, along with support from the Essex County Sherriff, Sherriff Cousins, the historic Town Hall was painted. Aulson Roofing provided project management and training for low level offender volunteer inmates and the result was a savings of nearly \$50,000 to the Town.

The artificial turf field opened for use at the Georgetown Middle/High School. Through a generous grant from the Georgetown Athletic Association of \$446,000 and voter approved funding of approximately \$1.25 million (not including the \$200,000 in contamination mitigation work that needed to be done), we now have a wonderful field that can be used nearly every season.

The new Penn Brook School is Opened – After more than a decade of tireless efforts from numerous town volunteers and professionals, assessing needs, holding public hearings, planning and collaborating with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) the new Penn Brook School officially opened

for the 2016 school year, serving grades K through 6. This modern state-of-the-art school was funded through approximately \$23M in bonds vote upon by Georgetown residents through a debt exclusion override and approximately \$20M in grants from the MSBA. The School District pulled out grade 6 from the Middle High School and the Kindergarten classes out of Perley School. This configuration works further to remove our High School accreditation warning by addressing improvements needed at this facility and relieving capacity issues.

Georgetown Middle/High School (GMHS) Major Renovation Completed – As part of the overall new Penn Brook Elementary Project plan, the MSBA recommended addressing the problems with the GMHS in its physical condition, overcrowding and dated technologies. This \$7.8M renovation replaced the roof, improved HVAC systems, electrical, plumbing, technology, water drainage issues, overcrowding in classrooms, security items and more. The Town voted to bond \$3.9M through a debt exclusion override and the MSBA contributed approximately \$3.9M as well.

Public Safety – Two notable Police veterans retired in 2015. After 32 years with the Georgetown Police Department, Sgt. Tom DeJoy retired and with 34 years of service to Georgetown Lt. David F. Thomson retired. Sgt. DeJoy and Lt. Thomson were icons in the community and will be truly missed. As a result of these retirements, there were four police promotions in FY 2016, including promoting Sergeant Scott Hatch to Lieutenant, Detective James Rodden was promoted to Patrol Sergeant, Dispatcher Joanne Ballard was promoted to full-time Patrolman and Reserve Dispatcher David Rosquete was promoted to Reserve Officer. Congratulations to these promotions.

There were many notable events for Public Safety in Georgetown including welcoming both new appointed Reserve Police Officers and Volunteer/Call Fire Fighters. In September, the Georgetown Police Department joined a nationwide one-day collaborative effort coordinated by the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) with state and local law enforcement agencies for dropping off prescription drugs. The department has taken this much further and permanently opened the drug drop-off program to the public in their lobby which has proven to be very successful. Also, the Georgetown Police Department was re-accredited by Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission (MPAC), making it one only 55 departments across the commonwealth to receive such an honor.

The Georgetown Fire Department upgraded two aging diesel ambulances by purchasing two new, gasoline powered trucks and upgrading and reusing the existing patient compartments (boxes). These upgraded vehicles were purchased through funds from a profitable ambulance service in Georgetown.

Town Election Results & Personnel Changes – In uncontested races, Selectman David Surface was re-elected and Doug Dawes was elected as Selectman. Philip Trapani was also voted by the Board of Selectmen to serve as Chairman. Voters also re-elected Dave Bogdan as Town Assessor, Pam Lundquist was re-elected to School Committee and Michael Hinchcliff was elected for his first term on the School Committee as well as first time School Committee member Suzanne MacDonald. Peter Dion was re-elected to Light Commissioner, Nicolas Lawler as Water Commissioner, Tillie Evangelista and Matthew James Martin were elected to the Planning Board.

Financial Management – Georgetown maintained our AA Bond Rating through strong financial governance and management, along with maintaining a Stabilization fund at 5% of our operating budget. The budget in 2015 was balanced and level services were provided for the community. The contribution

of State aid continues to decline as a percentage of our overall operating budget. In 2010, the State contributed 25.2% of our operating budget. In 2015, that number decreased to 23.5%. This trend has been ongoing since 2010 when we received 30.1% of our operating budget in State Aid.

Transportation Infrastructure Improvements – there were a number of notable transportation infrastructure projects completed in 2015. A major project was the successful replacement of two significant culverts on Rt. 97 completed through FEMA grants. Other key projects include the replacement of the fencing on Pond Street with guardrails; the repaving of much of Pond Street, Baldpate Road, Jewett Street and a portion of Jackman Street.

In Memoriam – It is with a heavy heart to recognize several individuals who are no longer with us. While there are numerous more persons who have contributed to Georgetown in so many ways, our notable Town volunteers or employees who passed away in 2016 include the following and their contributions that have helped make Georgetown a wonderful community:

Everett Spaulding – 50 years of service to Georgetown Fire Department and Georgetown Fire Chief from 1990 - 1994, a tireless volunteer and, with his late brother Arthur, built the carriage for the “Old Nancy” cannon that sits in Town Hall.

Robert Morehouse – served in many civic volunteer roles including Board of Selectman, Erie 4 Fire Department, Penn Brook New School Building Committee, Master Plan Committee, Recycling Committee, Dump Committee, Town Hall Committee, Conservation Committee, and Camp Dennison Committee.

Edward Powell Sr. – an avid adventurer and employee of the Georgetown Light Department, Edward contributed to Georgetown in many volunteering roles.

Georgette Dowd - As a premiere member of the Georgetown Garden Club, she was dedicated to enhancing and preserving the beauty of Georgetown, including the first renovation of Harry Murch Park and Perley School landscape designs. Georgette served as the Head Librarian of The Children’s Room at The Georgetown - Peabody Library for many years.

Dan Brodie – Dan was a volunteer firefighter in Georgetown where he was the President of the Erie 4 Fire Association. He also contributed to the betterment of Georgetown and many volunteering projects.

Chandler Noyes – as a Board member on the Council on Aging taking care of our seniors and elderly, Chandler contributed in so many ways in Georgetown including his extraordinary musical talents with the organ and piano.

REPORT FROM THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FY 2015

On behalf of the Georgetown School Committee, the administration, staff and students, it is my pleasure to submit the 2014-2015 Annual Town Report for the Georgetown Public Schools. The School Committee and I are proud of the accomplishments the district has made this year and we are currently engaged in setting our goals for the next three years. We look forward to adopting a new strategic plan for 2015-2018 which will chart our course for the operation of the district over that time period. Our agenda is ambitious and continues to focus on our commitment to continuous improvement for our students, the efficient operation of our schools and clear and regular communication with our stakeholders.

One of the things we are most proud about is the recent recognition that our district received from sources outside of the district. Newsweek Magazine selected Georgetown High School as one of the top 500 best high schools in the country. We were ranked 278th on their list. We were the only district on the North Shore and one of only ten Massachusetts districts to receive this recognition. The Boston Business Journal listed our high school 10th in the state overall for our improvement in the MCAS science scores. This is particularly satisfying because, as a district, we made some key changes to our curriculum and instruction that seemed to pay off for our students. We were very pleased to learn that the advanced placement scores for students at the high school were ranked first in the state.

Our students continued to achieve academically and athletically this past year. Twenty seven (27) seniors earned John and Abigail Adams Scholarships. These scholarships are awarded by the state based upon high MCAS performance and they qualify students for free tuition at a Massachusetts college or university of their choice. Twenty nine (29) students were inducted into the National Honor Society. The average scores on Advanced Placement exams in all six subjects were within the proficient score range of 3-5 with the average score being 4.0 overall. One hundred percent (100%) of graduating seniors passed the MCAS reading and mathematics exams and met the graduation requirement from the state. Our SAT scores continued to exceed state and national benchmarks as shown in the chart below.

2015 SAT Summary Results

<u>Georgetown</u>	<u>Massachusetts</u>	<u>National</u>
Critical Reading -- 528	Critical Reading -- 516	Critical Reading --495
Mathematics -- 540	Mathematics -- 529	Mathematics -- 511
Writing -- 528	Writing -- 507	Writing -- 484
<u>2015 GHS SAT Writing Subscores</u>	<u>2015 Massachusetts SAT Writing Subscores</u>	
Multiple Choice Mean -- 51.5	Multiple Choice Mean -- 50.5	
Essay Mean -- 8.0	Essay Mean -- 7.4	
	<u>2015 National SAT Writing Subscores</u>	

- Multiple Choice Mean – 48.7
- Essay Mean -- 7.0

As you can see, the critical reading performance on the SAT was 12 points above the statewide average and 33 points above the national average. Math performance was 11 points above the statewide average and 29 points above the national average. Writing performance was 21 points above the state average and 44 points above the national average.

Jennifer Nutter received the Superintendent's Award and the School Committee awarded \$26,000 in Baker Adams Scholarships to ten students in recognition of their academic performance, school involvement and commitment to community service. Vanessa Yavorski was awarded the \$4,000 Citizen's Scholar Award for community service.

Ninety five percent (95%) of the graduating class went on to further their education, two percent (2%) planned to enter the workforce and two percent (2%) joined the military. Our seniors were accepted to many prestigious colleges including Babson College, Bentley, Boston University, Boston College, Brandeis University, Dartmouth College, Endicott College, George Washington University, Holy Cross College, Johns Hopkins University, Merrimack College, Northeastern University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Roger Williams University, Saint Anselm College, Suffolk University, Trinity College, University of Massachusetts, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Wake Forest University, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Last year, the state allowed districts to select whether to administer the MCAS exam or choose to have students pilot the PARCC assessment while the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the State Board of Education make their final decision about the future of the state test. The School Committee and the administration decided to administer the MCAS exam and the results from the spring test are shown in the table below.

Grade and Subject	Proficient or Higher		Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improvement		Warning/Failing		Included	CPI	SGP	Included in SGP
	DISTRICT	STATE	DISTRICT	STATE	DISTRICT	STATE	DISTRICT	STATE	DISTRICT	STATE				
GRADE 03 - READING	68	60	11	11	56	49	21	32	11	9	96	84.6	N/A	N/A
GRADE 03 - MATHEMATICS	72	70	31	32	41	39	14	18	15	11	96	84.4	N/A	N/A
GRADE 04 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	61	53	13	11	48	43	30	33	9	14	110	83.4	68.0	101
GRADE 04 - MATHEMATICS	60	47	16	19	44	29	32	40	7	13	111	84.8	48.0	101
GRADE 05 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	62	71	19	23	43	48	24	20	14	9	113	82.5	35.5	104
GRADE 05 - MATHEMATICS	60	67	33	36	27	32	26	21	14	12	113	80.5	55.0	104
GRADE 06 - SCIENCE AND TECH/ENG	52	51	18	16	35	35	40	37	8	13	113	81.2	N/A	N/A
GRADE 06 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	79	71	17	19	82	62	17	19	4	10	118	91.1	35.5	112
GRADE 06 - MATHEMATICS	82	62	18	30	44	32	28	24	10	14	119	81.3	25.0	112
GRADE 07 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	75	70	8	9	68	60	19	23	5	8	130	89.6	62.0	123
GRADE 07 - MATHEMATICS	63	51	25	20	38	30	20	26	17	23	129	80.9	66.0	122
GRADE 08 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	85	80	18	26	67	54	12	14	4	6	111	93.2	30.0	108
GRADE 08 - MATHEMATICS	82	60	30	29	52	31	9	23	9	17	111	89.9	68.0	107
GRADE 08 - SCIENCE AND TECH/ENG	36	42	6	3	38	39	56	40	6	18	111	77.9	N/A	N/A
GRADE 10 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	98	91	73	49	25	42	2	6	0	3	97	99.5	64.0	88
GRADE 10 - MATHEMATICS	88	79	60	63	28	25	8	13	4	8	97	94.3	58.0	87
GRADE 10 - SCIENCE AND TECH/ENG	95	72	35	27	59	44	5	23	0	5	93	97.8	N/A	N/A
ALL GRADES - ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	75		22		54		16		7		778	85.1	46.0	636
ALL GRADES - MATHEMATICS	69		30		39		20		13		776	84.9	49.0	633
ALL GRADES - SCIENCE AND TECH/ENG	60	64	17	16	43	39	35	33	6	12	317	84.9	N/A	N/A

Georgetown Middle/High School athletics began utilizing the turf field for the first time in the fall of 2015 thanks to a tremendous partnership with GAA. Every team played at least one night game under the lights, and opponents continually commented positively about the quality of the complex. We still have work to do in maintaining the grounds, improving the spectator seating and providing better infrastructure for sound and filming but this field is a tremendous asset to the school and the town and we are grateful be able to use it.

Georgetown offered 19 school sports and 4 co-operative programs which were hosted by other schools. In 2014-15, we added a ski team and in 2015-2016 we plan to add volleyball due to a high amount of student interest. The GMHS athletic program is committed to providing athletic opportunities to all student-athletes who want to participate and new and upcoming sports like ski and volleyball allow us to address this philosophy. This fall, we will partner with Essex Tech in field hockey and The Clark School in several sports to allow their players to play for Georgetown as a cooperative team. This is in addition to partnerships we have formed with Pentucket, Masconomet, Triton, Ipswich, and Newburyport.

In order to ensure the safety of our student athletes, the athletic trainer's hours were increased by approximately 10% with the ultimate goal of 20 hours per week and added as part of the renovation project. We provided semi-annual concussion training to parents and athletes. We also received new top of the line football helmets through a partnership with Beverly Hospital and Xenith and new football pads through a generous donation from the Packy Thompson Memorial Fund and Partners for Georgetown Football.

Participation in our athletic program remained high with over fifty percent (50%) of our student population playing at least one sport. Georgetown, despite being the second smallest school in the Cape Anne League, had many successes. Our wrestling team posted its best record in school history, baseball and cheer won CAL titles and baseball and girls soccer won MIAA North championships. We also won four

sportsmanship awards and were recognized by the MSSAA in cheer for their fundraising of over \$10,000 for Dana Farber. Overall, it was a very successful 2014-15, and 2015 has started off strong with solid numbers, great sportsmanship and plenty of Royal's spirit.

Staff News

In May 2015, the School Committee said goodbye to Elana Peled who served one term on the Committee and Suzanne MacDonald was elected to fill the position for a three year term. In August of 2015, Laurene Polignone resigned her position for personal reasons with one year left in her term. The School Committee and the Board of Selectmen interviewed three candidates to fill the remainder of her term until May 2016 and they selected Cheryl Lachendro to join the School Committee.

The district celebrated the retirement of six long time employees. Bill Pechilis was a math teacher at the Middle/High School for 39 years which is the longest tenure of any teacher in the history of the school. Bill joins teaching colleagues Brad Chute, Jan Downing, Michelle Pallotta and Evelyn White who also retired in June 2015 leaving behind a legacy of dedicated, compassionate and inspired teaching for many years. Jeanne Dignan, a long time paraprofessional also retired after years of dedicated service to her students. In October of 2015, Director of Guidance at the Middle/High School, Stephen Umbro retired after close to 40 years in the field. In his role as guidance counselor and Director of the program, Steve touched many young people's lives and, in his kind and compassionate way, helped countless students succeed in school and successfully transition to life beyond high school. Julia Robinson was hired as his replacement. We wish all of these fine educators a happy and healthy retirement and thank them for their many years of dedicated service.

Each year we recognize those employees who have given 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of dedicated service to the district. It is with pride that we recognize the following employees for their longstanding dedication:

20 Years

Bethany Collins

Kathleen Hatch

Patricia MacDonald

25 Years

Janice Downing

Budget and Finance

In April 2014, the School Committee approved the Superintendent's Recommended FY15 Budget of \$13,577,807 (a 2.9% increase from FY14. The Finance Committee reduced our original proposed budget of \$13,634,807 be reduced by the

amount of \$57,000 (budgeted for sick leave buyback for retiring staff) which would be charged to the town's account.

The FY15 initial budget was developed in accordance with the Finance and Advisory Board's recommendations that all departments keep their increases to negotiated contractual salary obligations and level fund all non-salary expenditures. This approved budget contained a slight increase (\$34,094) to fund student achievement priorities which were included in the district's strategic plan. These included a district assessment program (MAPS), the Ready School Assessment for Kindergartners as required by the state, new high school textbooks and the new middle school science/technology curriculum. This budget also included funding for a new full-time Director of Technology for the district as well as the position of Assistant Principal for the Perley and Penn Brook Schools. A half-time teaching position was included for the new middle school science/technology course.

The special education tuition budget for out of district expenses was reduced by \$100,000 based upon the current number of students in out of district placements. The Director of Special Education notified the School Committee that she was facing the possibility of having to add to the budget because of at least two students who may be placed outside the district in FY15. The Budget & Finance Subcommittee decided that, consistent with the prior year's approach and in agreement with the Finance and Advisory Committee's recommendation, these two new placements would not be included in the adopted budget and would be paid for by circuit breaker funds if needed.

Through the work of the Special Education Director and the Director of Finance and Operations, the school district generated additional Medicaid revenue for the town. The town received \$58,035 in FY14, another increase over FY13. The district continued to participate in the USAC School and Libraries Division E-Rate program which generates reimbursement for the cost of telephone and Internet services, which offset the cost of our telephones, cell phones and Internet services.

The Food Services program continued to improve and expand. Under the direction of the new Food Services Director, Heather Torrey, the district became "Six Cent Certified" by the state which enables the district to be reimbursed an additional \$.06 for each meal served. This certification was obtained by aligning our menu offerings with the Federal School Nutrition standards. The Director worked hard to increase participation and was very successful in increasing the breakfast participation at the Perley School and the district was recognized by the state for this accomplishment.

The district operated successful before and after school programs at each elementary school which also included comprehensive enrichment programs. We continued to offer a vibrant tuition-based preschool program at the Perley School. We received a record number of donations through local organizations, the PTA, individual donors and parents. These very generous donations enabled the district to purchase much needed technology equipment and offer additional enrichment. The town and the district collaborated on several important construction projects that will enhance the capital

investment in the town's school buildings and grounds. All of these projects are scheduled for completion by the end of 2015.

One major capital improvement project that was included in the budget for the Middle/High School renovation project was the complete replacement of the GMHS roof. Not included in the building project was the repair and replacement of the roof top units which needed replacement due to age and condition. The town voted to appropriate \$25,000 for the first phase of the replacement/repair of the rooftop units. The original request was for \$200,000 to replace all units, but the approval of \$25,000 allowed us to take temporary measures to keep all units working until funding for their replacement was available in coordination with the construction of the new roof.

Additionally, the Buildings and Grounds Department reconstructed the stairs leading from the lower student parking lot to the Middle/High School. Peter Durkee and the Highway Department deserve a big thank you for their help in this very important project. As always, all routine maintenance was completed and the top fields at the Middle/High School were aerated and reseeded. In addition, an additional part-time custodian was added to the Penn Brook School in order to help maintain the building and clean any excess dust that might enter the building during the construction phase of the new school. Due to the closing of the existing fields, there was limited space for students to play. Staff and students deserve credit for the way they made this work to the best of their ability.

The district continued to work with the Town Administrator and Finance & Advisory Board to investigate the feasibility of combining services of the school maintenance staff with the town in order to create efficiencies and save money. An initial proposal was developed and presented to the School Committee and reviewed by a working committee charged with studying the viability of this consolidation. The discussion will continue into the 2015-2016 school year.

The district continued its strong working relationship with the GAA in the maintenance of all our fields and planning for future projects. The district and the town began discussions about opening a senior center in a portion of the vacant wing of the Perley School and plans will be finalized in the fall/winter of 2015 with the goal of opening the center in the spring of 2015. We are excited about this project and very happy for the seniors in town that they will soon have a home to call their own.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Jacobs, Superintendent of Schools

**Georgetown Public Schools
Grant, Revolving Fund, and Special Article
Expenditures - FY15**

GRANTS-FEDERAL/STATE/PRIVATE		7/1/2014		6/30/2015	
	FUND	BALANCE	REVENUE	EXPENDED	BALANCE
Kindergarten Enhancement Grant	2253		42,680	42,680	0
Creativity & Innovation Grant	2254		15,000	15,000	0
SPED 94-142	2300		297,478	209,771	87,707
SPED Program Improvement	2301		12,874	12,874	0
SPED Early Childhood	2499		8,502	8,502	0
Title One	2302		36,952	36,952	0
Teacher Quality	2303		18,882	14,587	4,295
School to Career	2502	408	0	408	0
Exxon Mobile Ed Alliance	2510	500	0	0	500
GEF Teacher Grants	2512	2,937	25,000	27,937	0
N.E. Dairy & Food Council	2517	225	0	225	0
REVOLVING ACCOUNTS					
Athletic Revolving	2000	28,475	254,462	251,068	31,869
Preschool Revolving	2001	36,535	320,300	277,592	79,243
Public School Donation	2004	33,635	35,274	28,443	40,466
Circuit Breaker	2005	277,970	377,154	283,682	371,442
Penn Brook Summer Academy	2006	7,697	9,435	0	17,132
Fee Based Revolving	2007	16,848	46,612	37,618	25,842
Perley Extended Day	2008	39,595	181,545	205,888	15,252
Middle Ground Revolving	2009	714	1,780	2,380	114
School Store Revolving	2010	6,974	26,387	23,856	9,505
Drama Production	2011	6,802	11,016	16,558	1,260
Community Education	2012	3,650	0	3,219	431
Penn Brook Enrichment	2013	31,482	137,618	146,467	22,633
Penn Brook Summer Camp	2014	24,150	15,480	18,079	21,551
Special Education Tuition	2506	8,151	25,722	9,130	24,743
School Choice	2600	41,285	198,997	203,829	36,453
SPECIAL ARTICLES					
Article 3 Technology Information	A42145		25,000	0	25,000
Article 4 MHS Roof Units	A42153		175,000	0	175,000
Article 21 MHS Heat	A42147		25,000	19,837	5,163

School Department Appropriation FY15
Actual Expenditures July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

\$13,577,807
\$13,577,807

Expenditure by Category		Salaries	Expenses	Total
Account 1000	Administration			
General Administration		551,746	113,024	664,770
Account 2000	Instruction			
Supervision		201,379	-	201,379
School Leadership		682,083	16,191	698,274
Teaching		8,314,695	150,686	8,465,381
Professional Development		10,500	60,894	71,394
Textbooks		-	69,818	69,818
Technology		254,447	142,700	397,147
Library/Media		109,115	10,689	119,804
Guidance		409,098	18,500	427,598
Account 3000	Other Services			
Medical/Health Services		195,763	7,163	202,926
Transportation		40,670	448,400	489,070
Food Services		60,650	-	60,650
Student Act/Athletics		57,851	31,656	89,507
Account 4000	Operations/Maint.			
Operations & Maintenance		512,514	276,129	788,643
Account 9000	Programs with Others			
Special Education Tuition		-	831,446	831,446
Total Expended		11,400,511	2,177,296	13,577,807



Charles LaBella
Chairperson
School Committee

Maureen Lynch
Superintendent

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School

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September 10, 2015

ANNUAL OPERATIONAL REPORT

TO: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

FROM: Dr. Jo-Ann Testaverde, Whittier Representative
Maureen Lynch, Superintendent

Whittier offers 20 vocational technical career areas designed to provide the necessary training and skills for further education or work force success.

Whittier's academic program is designed to offer students the fundamental skills through its core curriculum in English, Math, Science and Technology, Social Studies, World Languages, Physical Education/Health, and Elective subjects. Courses are aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in order to achieve success on the MCAS.

Courses are offered in a sequential format and are integrated with the vocational-technical areas, wherever practicable and mutually beneficial. All academic courses offer advanced sections for students who desire to further their education. We offer honors courses in English, science, and math to lead toward advanced placement courses. Moreover, a Tech Prep program is offered to eleventh and twelfth grade students which parallels the College Prep program and provides students with the opportunity to earn college credit and/or advanced college placement.

Since all programs are open to both females and males, we encourage our students to explore and to specialize in non-stereotyped, non-traditional vocational-technical areas and to strive for the maximum realization of their goals and potential.

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its forty second year. To date we have graduated 10,640 students from the day school.

The enrollment for the Evening School from Georgetown: 11

Whittier Tech: *Working on your future*

Honorable Board of Selectmen
September 10, 2015
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The October 1, 2014 Day School Enrollment:

	Boys	Girls
Grade 9	15	1
Grade 10	5	4
Grade 11	4	4
Grade 12	5	6

Total – 44

2015 Graduates – 11

The cost to Georgetown for the school year 2014-2015 was \$519,383.00.

Respectfully yours,



Dr. Jo-Ann Testaverde
Georgetown Representative



Maureen Lynch
Superintendent

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Town of Georgetown
Expected to Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended
JUNE 30, 2015 (FY2015)

As of JUNE 30, 2015

Line #	Account Name	Projected Revenues	Received To Date	Rec'd Same Period JUNE, 2014 (FY14)	Balance	Percent Received
1	Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes	18,203,732	17,943,926	15,742,839	259,806	99%
2	Motor Vehicles & Other Excise Taxes	1,150,000	1,296,911	1,251,758	(146,911)	113%
3	Penalties & Interest on Taxes	50,000	62,556	69,718	(12,556)	125%
4	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	50,000	47,879	49,724	2,121	96%
5	Fees	75,000	77,685	112,586	(2,685)	104%
6	Rentals	40,000	36,667	40,000	3,333	92%
7	Other Dept Revenues	12,000	19,132	13,660	(7,132)	159%
8	Licenses & Permits	135,000	121,214	121,705	13,786	90%
9	Fines & Forfeits	70,000	80,038	109,311	(10,038)	114%
10	QECB Tax Credit	41,571	41,526	42,142	45	
11	Investment Income	16,000	34,248	24,520	(18,248)	214%
12	Elect. Dept. - Benefits & Debt Service	509,650	504,291	488,516	5,359	99%
13	Miscellaneous Receipts	104,350	25,472	107,818	78,878	24%
14	Non Recurring Miscellaneous Receipts	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
15	Misc Medicaid Reimbursement	53,000	53,391	58,035	(391)	101%
16	State Aid	6,125,362	6,169,514	5,672,228	(44,152)	101%
17	Totals	26,635,665	26,514,449	23,904,559	121,216	100%
18	Other General Fund Revenue:					
19	Roll Back Taxes					
20	Tax Titles Redeemed		96,633	100,331	0	#DIV/0!
21	Foreclosure				(96,633)	#DIV/0!
22	Transfers From Water	262,164	262,164	262,164	0	100%
23	Transfers From Other Funds (Septic Betterment & Special Rev&CPC)	74,963	172,096	46,847	(97,133)	230%
24	Total General Fund	26,972,792	27,045,343	24,313,901	(72,551)	100%
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26						
27	Other Revenue:					
28	Water Lien Revenue 7-4144	0	41,564			
29	Water User Charges 7-4210	1,465,726	1,569,847	1,526,237	(104,121)	107%
30	Water Interest/Penalties 7-4179	6,000	5,626	8,532		
31	Water Nonutility Usage Charges 7-4240	7,000	16,478	11,652	(9,478)	235%
32	Water Other Utility Revenue 7-4220	6,000	15,324	21,602	(9,324)	255%
33	Water Investment Income 7-4830		8,154	6,950	(8,154)	#DIV/0!
34	Total Water Department Revenue	1,484,726	1,656,993	1,574,972	(131,077)	112%
35	Other Revenue:					
36	Ambulance User Charges 063-43708	238,570	281,153		(42,583)	118%
37	Ambulance Interest 063-4830		972			
38	Total Ambulance Enterprise Revenue	238,570	282,125			
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42	Total Revenue (General & Water)	28,696,088	28,984,461	25,888,873	(203,628)	101.00%

Town of Georgetown, Massachusetts										app2015
General Fund Appropriations Expenditures										
For the Fiscal Year Ended										
June 30, 2015										
FY 15 BUDGET AS OF JUNE 30, 2015										
Acct #	Account Name	Proposed Budget	Total Appropriation	STM	Transfers In/(Out)	Adjustment Indirect Costs	Revised Budget	Amount Expended	Incumbance Unexpended	Percent Expended
11131	Town Meeting Expenses	3,125	3,125		(1,501)		1,624	678	946.02	41.75%
11222	Selectmen Staff Salary	36,470	36,470		546		37,016	36,924	91.97	99.75%
11224	Selectmen Office Operations	2,000	2,000				2,000	1,846	354.00	82.30%
11225	Computer System Maint & Supplies	124,763	124,763	48,000			172,763	165,377	7,386.00	95.72%
11226	Town Hall Operating Expense	35,749	35,749				35,749	35,749	0.00	100.00%
11227	Town Administrator Salary	104,000	104,000		1,553		105,553	104,038	1,515.15	98.56%
11229	Town Administrator Expenses	4,124	4,124		(176)		3,948	3,947	0.73	99.98%
11230	Town Administrator Def Comp	3,500	3,500				3,500	3,500	0.00	100.00%
11312	Fin/Adv Comm Expenses	0	0		176		176	176	0.00	100.00%
11321	Reserve Fund	167,677	167,677		(163,142)		4,535	0	4,535.00	0.00%
11351	Accountants Salary	68,589	68,589		1,029		69,618	69,603	15.00	99.98%
11352	Accountant Staff Wages	15,808	15,808				15,808	12,355	3,453.25	78.16%
11353	Accountants Expenses	3,300	3,300				3,300	3,295	4.78	99.85%
11411	Assessors Salaries	900	900				900	900	0.00	100.00%
11412	Assessors Asst Salary	68,566	68,566		1,028		69,594	69,427	167.07	99.76%
11413	Assessors Staff Wages	46,976	46,976		695		47,671	47,671	0.00	100.00%
11414	Assessors Expenses	35,325	35,325		(695)		34,630	23,390	11,240.49	67.54%
11453	Tres-Col Expenses	25,640	25,640				25,640	22,334	3,306.37	87.10%
11454	Tax Collector/Treasurer	68,589	68,589		1,029		69,618	69,603	15.00	99.98%
11455	Finance Clerk	31,613	31,613				31,613	31,463	149.71	99.53%
11456	Asst Treasurer	51,284	51,284		769		52,053	52,053	0.00	100.00%
11511	Town Counsel Expense	80,000	80,000		(10,069)		69,931	62,455	7,476.70	89.31%
11512	Electricity Expense	196,151	196,151		45,000		241,151	241,151	0.00	100.00%
11513	Natural Gas Expense	179,052	179,052		69		179,121	179,121	0.00	100.00%
11581	Tax Title Foreclosure	8,500	8,500				8,500	5,409	3,091.50	63.63%
11591	Town Audit	23,900	23,900				23,900	23,900	0.00	100.00%
11595	Capital Improvement Projects/op Exp	0	0				0	0.00	0.00	
11611	Town Clerk Salary	35,864	35,864		538		36,402	36,402	0.00	100.00%
11612	Town Clerk Staff Wages	19,045	19,045		286		19,331	19,053	277.53	98.56%
11613	Town Clerk Expenses	6,575	6,575				6,575	5,975	599.62	90.88%
11621	Elections Expenses	28,435	28,435		1,597		30,032	28,020	2,012.32	93.30%
11631	Registrars Expenses	5,200	5,200		17		5,217	2,569	2,648.25	49.24%
11711	Conservation Comm Expenses	3,000	3,000				3,000	2,921	78.85	97.37%
11712	Conservation Comm Salaries	63,021	63,021		945		63,966	63,966	1.02	100.00%
11713	Conservation Comm Staff Salaries	14,912	14,912		224		15,136	15,136	0.00	100.00%
11751	Planning Board Expenses	15,106	15,106				15,106	13,838	1,268.27	91.60%
11752	Planning Board Salaries	78,546	78,546		1,178		79,724	74,364	5,359.52	93.28%
11761	Z B Appeals Clerk Wages	17,088	17,088		256		17,344	17,288	55.51	99.68%
11762	ZB Appeals Expenses	860	860				860	834	25.59	97.02%
11951	Reports, Town & Fin Comm	0	0				0	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
12111	Police Salaries	1,100,437	1,100,437		70,494		1,170,931	1,132,951	37,979.55	96.76%
12115	Police School Crossing	9,795	9,795		147		9,942	9,942	0.00	100.00%
12116	Police Cruiser	34,000	34,000				34,000	34,000	0.00	100.00%
12118	Police Operating Expenses	115,600	115,600				115,600	115,312	287.53	99.75%
12119	Traffic Lights Expense	0	0	4,500			4,500	4,499	1.26	99.97%
12121	Comm Center Wages	217,574	217,574				217,574	217,493	80.97	99.96%
12131	Public Safety Building-Utilities	5,400	5,400				5,400	5,380	20.34	99.62%
12132	Public Safety Building-Maint	11,083	11,083				11,083	11,079	4.28	99.99%
12211	Fire Salaries & Wages	332,352	332,352		4,985		337,337	305,961	31,376.14	90.70%
12214	Fire Operating Expenses	97,242	97,242				97,242	96,046	1,195.81	98.77%
12921	Animal Control Off Salary	13,483	13,483		202		13,685	13,685	3.15	
12922	Animal Control Off Expense	1,200	1,200				1,200	1,200	0.00	100.00%
12951	Inspectors Service Wages	122,040	122,040		1,831		123,871	122,250	1,621.09	98.69%

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03601	Facilities OPS Penn Brook	73,345	73,345	16,274	89,619	89,619	0.00	0.00	100.00%
03602	Maintenance Penn Brook	0	0				0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
04010	All Departments MS	21,000	21,000	16,298	37,298	37,298	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04011	English MS	334,215	334,215	(47,813)	286,402	286,402	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04012	Reading MS	2,000	2,000	(2,000)	0	0	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
04013	Foreign Language MS	103,724	103,724	(0)	103,724	103,724	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04021	Mathematics MS	288,966	288,966	455	289,421	289,421	0.00	-0.05	100.00%
04022	Science MS	315,074	315,074	(43,416)	271,658	271,658	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04023	Social Studies MS	252,878	252,878	(268)	252,610	252,610	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04031	Art MS	69,263	69,263	122	69,385	69,385	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04032	Music MS	65,548	65,548	(9,719)	55,829	55,829	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04041	Physical Education MS	94,091	94,091	(27)	94,064	94,064	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04051	Business Education MS	45,151	45,151	406	45,557	45,557	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04052	Home economics MS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04053	Industrial Technology MS	1,680	1,680	(1,417)	263	263	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04061	Library Services MS	3,356	3,356	(1,727)	1,629	1,629	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04062	Media Services MS	4,620	4,620	(2,516)	2,104	2,104	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04071	Guidance Services MS	69,132	69,132	(1,102)	68,030	68,030	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04101	Sped Services MS	428,418	428,418	16,856	445,274	445,274	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04102	Sped Outside Placement MS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04301	Instructional Services MS	14,409	14,409	(6,137)	8,272	8,272	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04304	BLDG Admin MS	5,980	5,980	(2,450)	3,530	3,530	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04432	Health Services MS	711	711	161	872	872	0.00	0.00	100.00%
04503	Student Activities MS	0	0	3,496	3,496	3,496	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05010	All Departments HS - Textbooks	24,166	24,166	526	24,692	24,692	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05011	English HS	341,751	341,751	(14,602)	327,149	327,149	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05012	Reading HS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05013	Foreign Language HS	212,132	212,132	2,944	215,076	215,076	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05021	Mathematics HS	382,287	382,287	(2,565)	379,722	379,722	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05022	Science HS	328,126	328,126	(17,459)	310,667	310,667	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05023	Social Studies HS	356,494	356,494	7,693	364,187	364,187	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05031	Art HS	120,453	120,453	(978)	119,475	119,475	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05032	Music HS	69,628	69,628	4,145	73,773	73,773	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05041	Physical Education HS	162,186	162,186	(288)	161,898	161,898	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05051	Business Education HS	160,071	160,071	(546)	159,525	159,525	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05052	Home economics HS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05053	Industrial Technology HS	933	933	(615)	318	318	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05061	Library Services HS	3,365	3,365	(653)	2,712	2,712	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05062	Media Services HS	2,554	2,554	(1,149)	1,405	1,405	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05071	Guidance Services HS	68,110	68,110	(4,543)	63,567	63,567	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05101	Sped Services HS	326,824	326,824	3,366	330,190	330,190	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05102	Sped Outside Placement HS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05301	Instructional Support HS	14,347	14,347	(1,578)	12,769	12,769	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
05304	BLDG Admin HS	22,070	22,070	(2,662)	19,408	19,408	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05432	Health Services	1,511	1,511	621	2,132	2,132	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05503	Student Activities	1,500	1,500	(1,137)	363	363	0.00	0.00	100.00%
05432	Health Services HS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06034	Computer Support MHS	141,871	141,871	6,358	148,229	148,229	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
06061	Library Services MHS	38,018	38,018		38,018	38,018	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06062	Media Services MHS	40,792	40,792	(1,198)	39,594	39,594	-0.01	0.00	100.00%
06071	Guidance Services MHS	210,065	210,065	290	210,355	210,355	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06101	Special Education MHS	87,638	87,638	3,278	90,916	90,916	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06102	SPED Outside Placements MHS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06104	English Lang Lerner MHS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06105	Academic Tutoring MHS	28,868	28,868	(22,490)	6,378	6,378	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!
06302	Substitutes MHS	44,000	44,000	5,519	49,519	49,519	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06304	Bldg Admin MHS	438,376	438,376	5,929	444,305	444,305	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06432	Health Services MHS	62,159	62,159	(0)	62,159	62,159	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06433	Transportation MHS	0	0		0	0	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06434	Lunch Recess MHS	7,123	7,123		7,123	7,123	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06501	Interscholastic Athletics MHS	68,829	68,829	3,270	72,100	72,100	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06503	Student Activities MHS	60,000	60,000	5,066	65,066	65,066	0.00	0.00	100.00%
06601	Facilities OPS MHS	202,277	202,277	(2,318)	57,883	57,883	0.00	0.00	100.00%
				25,353	227,630	227,630	0.00	0.00	100.00%

06602	Maintenance MHS	0	2,904	2,904	2,904	2,904	100.00%
	Total School Fund	13,577,807	0	13,577,807	13,577,807	0.00	100.00%
	Water Department Expenses:						
74501	Personel Services	505,797					
74502	Purchase of Services	511,132					
74503	Water Department Direct Costs	537,906					
74504	Water Treatment Plant Principal	262,164					
74505	Water Treatment Plant Interest	85,264					
74506	Operating Reserve Fund	16,382					
74509	Water Transmission Loop Interest	35,000					
74511	Water Transmission Loop Principal	25,000					
745011	Treatment Plant Admin Fees	14,317					
	Total Water Department Expenses	1,476,974	0	1,476,974	1,476,974	0.00	100.00%
	Ambulance Enterprise :						
063-51000	Personal Services	120,670					
063-52000	Purchase of Services	117,900					
063-59938	Transfer to Capital Project Account	172,000					
	Total Ambulance Enterprise	410,570	0	410,570	410,570	0.00	100.00%
	Total Water Fund & Ambulance	1,715,544	0	1,715,544	1,715,544	0.00	100.00%
	Grand Total	28,167,973	87,500	28,536,403	28,584,768	0.00	100.17%
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Account	Description	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
#5 Fees														
1-43197	Access Fee - Cable TV													
1-43198	License Fees - Cable TV													-00
1-43199	Franchise Fee - Cable TV													-00
1-43200	Coil Demand Fee	3,165.00	1,340.00	1,650.00	1,050.00	1,290.00	1,250.00	750.00	975.00	480.00	6,610.00	2,730.00	5,475.00	26,975.00
1-43201	Appeals Board Filing Fees													-00
1-43202	BOH Fee	3,362.00	2,195.00	1,405.00	2,915.00	4,960.00	6,180.00	3,910.00	950.00	2,270.00	2,910.00	5,161.68	3,979.00	40,198.68
1-43203	Conservation Filing Fees													-00
1-43204	MLC's	775.00	475.00	175.00	900.00	350.00	400.00	250.00	500.00	875.00	550.00	825.00	625.00	6,700.00
1-43205	Planning Bd Fees	581.40	1,025.00	1,400.00	325.00				20.00	460.00				3,811.40
	Total Fees	7,883.40	5,236.00	4,630.00	5,190.00	6,600.00	7,840.00	4,910.00	2,425.00	3,645.00	10,530.00	8,716.68	10,079.00	77,685.08
#6 Rentals														
1-43602	Rental Income		3,333.33	6,666.66	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33		3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	
	Total Rentals	-00	3,333.33	6,666.66	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	-00	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	3,333.33	36,666.63
#7 Other Dept Revenues														
1-43206	Town Clerk Fees	280.00	1,720.00	785.00	750.00	1,750.00	675.00	100.00	100.00	1,235.00			340.00	7,735.00
1-43207	Planning Board Misc Rev								15.00					15.00
1-43208	Animal Control Fees	25.00			25.00	570.00	575.00	70.00			10.00	25.00	10.00	1,310.00
1-43209	SEL Filing Fees													-00
1-43210	Treasurer's Fees													-00
1-43700	Other Dept Revenue	70.00	60.00		60.00		60.00	30.00		40.00			50.00	300.00
1-43702	Police X-Duty	263.30	265.20	204.00	858.50	229.50	272.85	204.00	89.25	638.80	469.20	183.60	102.00	3,780.60
1-43703	Police Accident Report	72.00	150.00	245.00	49.00	144.00	121.00	158.00	126.00		281.00	97.00		1,569.00
1-43705	COA Yoga Revenue	402.00	336.00	413.00	406.00	315.00	304.00	222.00	93.00	263.00	222.00	272.00	380.00	3,628.00
1-43707	COA Van Revenue	74.00	54.00	50.00	64.00	46.00	58.00	44.00	48.00	62.00	60.00	62.00	42.00	664.00
	Total Other Dept	1,186.30	2,585.20	1,697.00	2,212.90	3,054.50	2,065.85	828.00	471.25	2,238.80	1,042.20	699.60	1,050.00	19,131.60
#8 Licenses and Permits														
1-43704	Town Clerk Receipts	619.20	1,445.00	635.50	510.00	1,325.00	990.00	453.45	445.50	5,860.00	2,930.00	1,398.00	1,706.50	18,318.15
1-44101	Alcoholic beverage lic		900.00			6,425.00								7,325.00
1-4416	Selexmen Business Lic					1,150.00	275.00	25.00			100.00			1,550.00
1-4471	Bldg Insp Permits	1,554.60	3,777.00	1,703.00	4,560.00	3,350.00	5,389.40	1,591.00	699.00	4,059.00	9,478.30	5,863.50	7,210.00	49,434.80
1-4472	Fire Dept Permits	700.00	1,010.00	960.00	910.00	1,060.00	1,000.00	550.00	790.00	1,180.00	1,920.00	2,485.00	1,800.00	14,365.00
1-4473	Gas/Plumb Permits	1,099.10	1,287.10	1,227.20	637.00	1,495.00	1,087.00	716.00	899.00	1,065.50	1,051.00	515.00	1,812.00	12,890.90
1-4475	Police Dept Permits	237.50	475.00	900.00	(787.50)	75.00	312.50	275.00	162.50		337.50	175.00	150.00	2,312.50
1-4476	Selectmen Permits	15.00	15.00	24.00	15.00	6.00					9.00	6.00	18.00	108.00
1-4477	Wire Ins Permits	1,680.00	1,740.00	965.00	570.00	683.00	2,108.00	80.00	381.00	836.00	1,719.00	1,284.00	2,863.00	14,910.00
	Total Licenses & Permits	5,905.40	10,649.10	6,415.70	6,414.50	15,569.00	11,561.90	3,690.45	3,377.00	13,000.50	17,544.80	11,726.50	15,559.50	121,214.35
1-4550	QECB Tax Credit					20,928.72						19,564.93	1,032.45	41,526.10
#9 Fines & Forfeits														
1-48701	Court Fines	125.00	265.00				522.50	1,205.00	1,895.00	247.50	357.50		240.00	6,390.00
1-48702	Peabody Library Fines				500.00	50.00								-00
1-48703	Parking Clerk Fines	15.00	15.00		65.00	15.00	100.00	15.00	55.00	130.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	500.00
1-48704	Registry Moving Violations	5,580.00	3,965.00	4,960.35	5,100.00	4,327.50	5,085.00	5,215.00	5,170.00	4,817.50	3,662.50	4,522.50	5,642.50	58,047.85
1-48705	Conservation Comm Fines												15,000.00	15,000.00
1-48706	Solicitation Fines	100.00											100.00	100.00
	Total Fines & Forfeits	5,720.00	4,245.00	5,942.85	5,665.00	4,392.50	5,707.50	6,435.00	7,120.00	5,195.00	4,050.00	4,552.50	20,912.50	80,037.85
#10 Investment Income														
1-4830	Interest Income	4,099.16	3,113.92	2,849.66	2,675.23	3,229.63	2,500.90	2,250.82	2,765.32	3,031.18	2,631.68	2,709.27	2,391.42	34,248.19
	Total Investment	4,099.16	3,113.92	2,849.66	2,675.23	3,229.63	2,500.90	2,250.82	2,765.32	3,031.18	2,631.68	2,709.27	2,391.42	34,248.19

Account	Description	FY2015	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012	FY2011	FY2010	FY2009	FY2008
#5 Fees									
1-43197	Access Fee - Cable TV			-00	-00		-00	-00	0.01
1-43198	License Fees - Cable TV			-00	-00		-00	-00	-00
1-43199	Franchise Fee - Cable TV			-00	-00		-00	-00	-00
1-43200	Coil Demand Fee	26,975.00	28,820.00	30,315.00	30,880.41	29,144.59	14,520.00	15,980.00	15,945.00
1-43201	Appeals Board Filing Fees	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00	-00	-00
1-43202	BOH Fee	40,198.68	44,823.67	30,688.40	39,831.00	28,609.00	29,190.72	31,953.36	36,599.35
1-43203	Conservation Filing Fees	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00	-00	-00
1-43204	M/LC's	6,700.00	4,925.00	9,875.00	11,150.00	9,275.00	7,900.00	9,760.00	7,400.00
1-43205	Planning Bd Fees	3,811.40	34,017.64	7,529.66	5,635.00	2,750.00	4,125.00	2,220.60	11,126.30
	Total Fees	77,685.08	112,586.31	78,408.06	87,496.41	69,778.59	55,735.72	59,913.96	71,070.66
#6 Rentals									
1-43602	Rental Income	-00	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	43,333.29		
	Total Rentals	36,666.63	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	43,333.29	36,666.63	39,999.96
#7 Other Dept Revenues									
1-43206	Town Clerk Fees	7,735.00	4,410.00	4,090.00	2,085.00	2,632.00	2,225.00	1,980.00	2,570.00
1-43208	Animal Control Fees	1,310.00	275.00	-00	80.00	150.00	-00	387.00	230.00
1-43209	SEL Filing Fees	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-43210	Treasurer's Fees	-00	0.00	125.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	150.00	125.00
1-43700	Other Dept Revenue	380.00	705.00	721.75	539.00	338.00	330.00	10,567.25	832.00
1-43702	Police X- Duty	3,780.60	2,133.95	2,089.60	2,040.70	1,749.00	6,563.20	1,925.55	5,427.55
1-43703	Police Accident Report	1,569.00	1,016.58	750.00	614.00	705.00	627.00	620.00	681.00
1-43706	COA Yoga Revenue	3,628.00	4,296.05	4,357.00	4,594.00	3,974.00	3,699.85	4,228.05	5,081.00
1-43707	COA Van Revenue	664.00	768.00	708.00	677.00	1,030.48			
	Total Other Dept	19,066.60	13,604.58	12,841.35	10,654.70	10,628.48	13,545.05	19,857.85	14,946.55
#8 Licenses and Permits									
1-43704	Town Clerk Receipts	18,318.15	17,081.30	15,389.30	14,275.50	15,246.65	13,446.75	14,866.60	14,352.40
1-44101	Alcoholic beverage lic	7,325.00	5,575.00	5,550.00	8,200.00	7,584.50	6,200.00	6,400.00	6,400.00
1-4416	Selectmen Business Lic	1,550.00	1,900.00	1,650.00	2,550.00	2,025.00	1,750.00	1,575.00	1,650.00
1-4471	Bldg Insp Permits	49,434.80	47,391.50	69,899.40	66,430.70	54,678.55	69,060.00	46,218.50	50,688.00

1-4472	Fire Dept Permits	14,365.00	14,532.00	15,555.00	14,882.70	13,180.00	18,318.00	18,305.00	11,280.00
1-4473	Gas/Plumb Permits	12,890.90	12,411.70	15,426.10	12,686.00	10,137.00	12,987.00	10,951.00	14,628.00
1-4475	Police Dept Permits	2,312.50	3,400.00	4,900.00	2,887.50	2,262.50	1,475.00	1,700.00	2,600.00
1-4476	Selectmen Permits	108.00	96.00	108.00	132.00	135.00	150.00	117.00	87.00
1-4477	Wire Ins Permits	14,910.00	19,317.00	21,409.70	18,283.00	19,158.00	19,988.00	15,495.00	24,079.00
	Total Licenses & Permits	121,214.35	121,704.50	149,887.50	140,327.40	124,407.20	143,374.75	115,628.10	125,764.40
1-4550	QECB Tax Credit	41,526.10	42,142.12	26,851.93					

#9 Fines & Forfeits											
1-48701	Court Fines	6,390.00	4,835.00	12,928.75	10,760.00	14,796.28	9,771.00	18,037.00	16,465.00		
1-48702	Peabody Library Fines	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	25.40		
1-48703	Parking Clerk Fines	500.00	155.00	200.00	185.00	590.00	1,225.00	815.00	700.00		
1-48704	Registry Moving Violations	58,047.85	104,220.60	67,965.54	59,875.00	62,370.00	84,260.19	77,842.50	83,622.50		
1-48705	Conservation Comm Fines	15,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	550.00		1,000.00	600.00	10,000.00		
1-48706	Solicitation Fees	100.00									
	Total Fines & Forfeits	80,037.85	109,210.60	83,094.29	71,370.00	77,756.28	96,256.19	97,294.50	110,812.90		
#10 Investment Income											
1-4830	Interest Income	34,248.19	24,520.05	12,557.96	11,753.71	18,587.47	28,181.98	189,482.68	199,888.71		
	Total Investment	34,248.19	24,520.05	12,557.96	11,753.71	18,587.47	28,181.98	189,482.68	199,888.71		
#11 Elec Dept Benefits & Debt											
1-49521	Liability Ins	43,463.00	36,881.00	35,866.00	34,832.00	30,631.00	23,589.00	24,663.00	25,164.00		
1-49522	Workmens Comp Ins	6,491.00	5,025.00	5,411.00	4,504.00	6,519.00	4,662.00	4,762.00	6,620.00		
1-49523	Retirement	183,146.95	154,883.12	142,518.00	132,937.44	121,748.38	119,312.00	108,900.52	107,609.68		
1-49525	Health Ins	156,624.00	175,053.70	139,776.08	140,235.85	141,615.87	109,075.80	121,638.92	142,065.58		
1-49526	Dental Ins	8,454.64	8,461.34	7,172.10	7,289.28	7,168.80	6,632.76	6,864.94	7,476.33		
1-49527	Life Ins	289.80	271.35	230.85	242.55	253.80	253.80	267.30	244.80		
1-49528	Medicare Ins	9,881.67	9,000.00	7,740.38	9,000.00	9,000.00	7,332.43	7,332.43	7,332.43		
1-49531	Bond Principal	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00	180,000.00		
1-49532	Bond Interest	15,940.00	18,940.00	22,140.00	25,090.00	27,760.00	32,541.25	39,316.25	46,030.00		
1-49535	Accig & Finance Service	0.00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00		
	Total Fees	504,291.06	488,515.51	440,854.41	434,131.12	424,696.85	478,399.04	488,745.36	522,542.82		
#12 Misc Receipts											
1-4498	Excess Tonnage	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00		
1-4699	Misc revenue from MA	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00		
1-4889	Tax Coll Estimated Receipts	-00	0.00	-00	1,671.36	1,973.70	753.74	2,269.17	458.92		
1-4890	Misc Receipts	14,129.67	19,519.19	15,147.90	22,451.46	12,493.81	4,213.68	14,486.92	11,106.50		
1-4894	Cancelled Pmts Prior Yr	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00		
1-4895	Returned Check Revenue	1,150.44	750.00	1,830.00	2,325.00	1,075.00	1,495.00	1,550.00	1,760.00		
1-4902	Surplus Equipment	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00	-00		
	Total Misc Receipts	15,280.11	20,269.19	16,977.90	26,447.82	15,542.51	6,462.42	18,649.09	13,325.42		

FISCAL YEAR 2015 APPOINTMENTS

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN ELECTED OFFICIALS, APPOINTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

ASSESSORS	ELECTED	EXPIRES
David A. Bogdan	5/14/2012	5/2015
Thomas Berube	4/30/2013	5/2016
Arthur MacDonald	5/12/2014	5/2017

Accountant See: TOWN ACCOUNTANT

ADA Coordinator	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Vacant	6/11/2012	6/30/2013

Affordable Housing Task Force

Shawn McGee	6/3/2013	6/30/2016
Paul Nelson	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
Timothy Gerraughty	10/15/2012	6/30/2015
Francis Puopolo	10/15/2012	6/30/2015
Matthew Martin	12/2/2013	6/30/2016

Affordable Housing Trustees

Paul Nelson	6/9/2014	6/30/2016
Timothy J. Gerraughty	6/9/2014	6/30/2016
Charles Keilty	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
C. David Surface	6/3/2013	6/30/2015
Philip Trapani	6/3/2013	6/30/2015

Animal Control Officer See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, Animal Control Officer

Animal Inspector See: BOARD OF HEALTH, Animal Inspector

BOARD OF HEALTH	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Board of Health Members		
Paul Thompson	3/24/2014	6/30/2015
Joseph Crane	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
William Gianacoples	6/17/2013	6/30/2016

Animal Inspector (Nomination by Board of Health & Approval by State)

Holly Willard	4/2/2015	4/30/2016
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Health Director/Agent

Deborah Rogers (Appointment by Board of Health, Employ Commenced on 12/27/2001)	6/30/2016
Health Inspector	
Virginia Bacon (Appointment by Board of Health, Employ Commenced on 1/8/2001)	6/30/2016
Board of Health Nurse	
Pamela Lara	Contracted through Board of Health

Board of Registrars See: "Registrar of Voters"

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Elected Officials	ELECTED	EXPIRES
C. David Surface	5/14/2012	5/2015
Stephen Smith	5/14/2012	5/2015
Philip J. Trapani	4/30/2013	5/2016
Gary C. Fowler	5/12/2014	5/2017
Stuart M. Egenberg	5/12/2014	5/2017

Town Administrator	Date Appointed	
Michael Farrell	7/1/2013	6/30/2016

BUILDING INSPECTION	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Inspector of Buildings/Zoning Enforcement Officer		
N. Jon Metivier	4/6/2015	3/31/2016

Alternate Inspectors of Buildings

Glen Clohecy	4/6/2015	3/31/2016
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Gas/Plumbing Inspector (Appointment by Building Inspector)

William Gianacoples	4/6/2015	3/31/2016
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Alternate Gas/Plumbing Inspector

Stanley Kulacz	4/6/2015	3/31/2016
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Wire Inspector

Mark Unger, Sr.	4/6/2015	3/31/2016
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Alternate Wire Inspectors

Robert Brown	4/6/2015	3/31/2016
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Cable TV Manager/Coordinator (hired July 2, 2007)

Janet Morrissey

Cable TV Content/Coordinator (hired July 2, 2007)

Charles Mendez

Cable TV Advisory Committee

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Charles Davis	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Dan Walsh	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Lyn Lutrzykowski	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Kelsey Bresnahan Sousa	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Vacant		

**Camp Denison Committee See: CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
Sub-Committees, Camp Denison**

Capital Improvement Planning Committee*(Art. 5, STM 9/30/96, replaced by Art. 6, STM 10/27/97)***(7 Member Board, 3-Year Appointments)**

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
1-Finance & Advisory Board Member (Appointed by the Finance & Advisory Board)		
Vacant (Fin Com)		6/30/2016

6 Citizens of the Town of Georgetown	Date Appointed	Term Expires
2-Board of Selectmen Appointments		
Vacant	6/6/2011	6/30/2014
Donald Cudmore	6/3/2013	6/30/2016
1-Finance & Advisory Board Appointment		
Jeff Gillen	10/27/2014	6/30/2017
1-Moderator Appointment		
Russell Ricker		6/30/2015
1-Planning Board Appointment		
Michael Hinchliffe	12/17/2013	6/30/2016
1-School Committee Appointment		
Gregg Snyder	8/27/2013	6/30/2016
Ex-Officio Members		
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator		For Duration of Employment
Dave Schofield, Light Department Manager		For Duration of Employment
Joan Liporto, School Business Manager		For Duration of Employment

Cemeteries See: VETERAN'S, Cemeteries

Commission for Equal Access	Date Appointed	Term Expires
<i>Appointment Requirements under MGL Ch 40, Sec. 8J & Art. 43 of 5-24-93 ATM</i>		
<i>(7 Member Commission, 3-Year Staggered Appointments)</i>		
Vacant (disabled)		
Vacant (appointed town member)		
Vacant (disabled family member)		
Vacant (resident)		
Vacant (disabled family member)		
Vacant (disabled)		
Vacant (disabled)		

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Conservation Agent	Steven Przyjemski	Hired 4/11/2005
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Conservation Commission Members	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Rae Ann Baldwin	4/28/2015	6/30/2015
Carl Shreder	6/11/2012	6/30/2015
Lillibeth Weis	6/3/2013	6/30/2016
Rachel Bancroft	1/26/2015	6/30/2017
Nick Feitz	3/3/2014	6/30/2017
Laura Repplier	7/8/2013	6/30/2016
Andrew Currie	11/17/2014	6/30/2017

Community Preservation Committee (3 year appointment)

Harry LaCortiglia (Planning Board Appointment)	5/22/2013	6/30/2016
James DiMento (Park & Rec. Appointment)		6/30/2014
Peter W. Burns (Open Space Appointment)	6/27/2013	6/30/2015
Lillibeth Weis (ConCom Appointment)	5/14/2015	6/30/2018
David Schauer (Housing Authority)	6/2014	6/30/2017
Paul Nelson (Affordable Housing Trust Appointment)	12/12/2013	6/30/2016
James D. Davenport (Historical Commission)	6/2014	6/30/2017
Edward Dobie (FinCom)	8/28/2013	6/30/2016
Gary Fowler (Selectmen)	9/9/2013	6/30/2016

Conservation Sub-Committees (Appointments by Conservation Commission)

Camp Denison Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Robert Gorton	8/14/2014	6/30/2015
Robert N. Morehouse (Sp. Municipal Emp 9/9/13)	12/11/2014	6/30/2015
James Lacey	7/17/2014	6/30/2015
John LoCicero	7/17/2014	6/30/2015
James Saunders	8/14/2014	6/30/2015

Hampshire Woods Stewardship Committee

Open Space Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Harry D. LaCortiglia	2/21/2013	6/30/2015
Laura Repplier	7/21/2011	6/30/2017
Richard E. Talbot	6/21/2013	6/30/2015
Peter Burns	6/17/2010	6/30/2016
Jeffrey T. Wade	3/14/2013	6/30/2015

Pentucket Pond Committee**Stewardship Program for the Conservation Land Off of Old Jacobs Rd.****Stewardship Committee for the Conservation Land off of Bailey Lane****Stewardship Committee for the Conservation Land off Littles Hill****COA Director:** (Hired by BoS 4/23/2007)

Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello

for duration of employment

COUNCIL ON AGING**Council on Aging Members**

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Claire Maimone	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
Chandler H. Noyes	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
Jeannine E., DesJardins	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
Susan Gardiner	10/7/2013	6/30/2016
Diane Prescott	6/3/2013	6/30/2016

Jean Perley	6/3/2013	6/30/2016
Corona M. Magner	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
Nancy Thompson	9/10/2012	6/30/2015
Esther Palardy	6/11/2012	6/30/2015

Alternate Members	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Caroline Sheehan	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Ann Stewart	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

Cultural Council	Original Appt Date	Appointed	Term Expires
	(do not change original appt. date-6 year limits)		
Nora Cannon	7/8/2013		6/30/2016
Katharine Hanlon	6/17/2013		6/30/2015
Susan Madigan	6/17/2013		6/30/2016
Patricia Durkee	6/9/2014	6/20/2011	6/30/2017
Emilee Ann Hopkins	1/14/2013		6/30/2015
Carol Shalkoski	7/8/2013		6/30/2016

Emergency Management Director	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Assistant Director		
Albert Beardsley, Fire Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Thomas E. Dejoy	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Dean Julien	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Emergency Management Team		
Peter Durkee, Highway	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Deborah Rogers, Health Agent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Emergency Response Coordinator (for Northern Essex Regional EPC)		
Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

**Economic Development (5 members consisting of 3 local business & 2 residents)
Est. 10/1/2001 (Reduced to 5 members 4/28/2014)**

Ted Kottcamp	8/25/2014 (2-year)	6/30/2016
Gary C. Fowler	8/25/2014	6/30/2015
James Lacey, Georgetown Alliance	8/25/2014 (2-year)	6/30/2016
Richard Williams	8/25/2014	6/30/2015
Jay O'Malley	8/25/2014	6/30/2015
Howard Snyder, Town Planner	8/25/2014 (2-year-Non-voting member)	6/30/2015
Associate Members		
Wayne Snow	1/26/2015	6/30/2015
Andrew Cliffe	1/26/2015	6/30/2015

Energy Committee

Ethics Commission Liaison

Michael Farrell	9/28/2009	for duration of employment
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Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA)

Assistant Director

Albert Beardsley, Fire Chief

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Team Member

Thomas Dejoy

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Fence Viewers

Vacant

Date Appointed**Term Expires****Finance & Advisory Board**

(Appointments by Town Moderator)

Date Appointed**Term Expires**

Sandy Gerraughty

12/10/2012

6/30/2015

James Lacey

7/1/2013

6/30/2015

Edward Dobie

6/01/2014

6/30/2017

Wayne Snow

12/11/2013

6/30/2015

Joseph Bonavita

1/14/2014

6/30/2016

Ashley Pierson

10/27/2014

6/30/2017

Robin O'Malley

1/15/2015

6/30/2016

Matt Newhall

3/19/2015

6/30/2017

Vacant

6/30/2016

FINANCE DIRECTOR**Acting Finance Director**

Michael Farrell, Town Administrator

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

FIRE DEPARTMENT**Fire Chief** (November 1, 2008 start date)

Albert B. Beardsley, Fire Chief

5/1/2012

2/28/2015

Hazardous Materials Coordinator

Albert Beardsley, Fire Chief

Date Appointed

11/17/2014

Term Expires

6/30/2015

Forest Warden

Albert Beardsley

Date Appointed

6/9/2014

Term Expires

6/30/2015

Government Study Committee**Harbormaster** See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, Harbormaster**Hazardous Materials Coordinator** See; FIRE DEPARTMENT, Hazardous Materials Coordinator**Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee**

(Established November 4, 2013)

Date Appointed**Term Expires**

Deborah Rogers, Health Agent

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Steven Przyjemski, ConCom Agent

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Howard Snyder, Town Planner

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Michael Farrell, Town Administrator

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Albert Beardsley, Fire Chief

6/9/2014

6/30/2015

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
David Schofield, Light Manager	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Lou Mammolette, Water Manager	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Surveyor

Peter J. Durkee, Superintendent

Tree Warden

Peter Durkee

ELECTED

4/30/2013

Date Appointed (3-year term)

6/3/2013

EXPIRES

5/2016

Term Expires

6/30/2016

Historical Commission

George Perkins, Chairman

James D. Davenport

Derek Richards

Louis Dispenza

Adam Gibbons

Date Appointed

(3-Year term)

5/21/2012

6/3/2013

5/21/2012

6/9/2014

1/13/2014

Expires

6/30/2015

6/30/2016

6/30/2015

6/30/2017

6/30/2016

Associate Member

Joseph Knapp

Edward Desjardins

Philip Trapani

Martha Robinson

6/9/2014

6/9/2014

6/9/2014

6/23/2014

6/30/2015

6/30/2015

6/30/2015

6/30/2015

HOUSING AUTHORITY (5-YEAR)

David Shauer

Juliette Rec

Frank Harper

Elizabeth Davidson

Vacant, (State Appointment)

ELECTED

4/30/2013

5/14/2012

5/10/2010

5/9/2011

EXPIRES

5/2016

5/2017

5/2015

5/2016

4/30/2016

Insect Pest Control Superintendent

Deborah Rogers

Date Appointed

6/3/2013

Term Expires

6/30/2016

LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Department Head

David Schofield, Manager Hired March 4, 2013

Elected Officials

Light Commissioners

Peter D. Dion

Scott Edwards

John Smolinsky

ELECTED

5/14/2012

4/30/2013

5/12/2014

EXPIRES

5/2015

5/2016

5/2017

Master Plan Committee See: PLANNING BOARD, Sub-Committees, Master Plan Committee

Memorial Day Committee

American Legion #211

Date Appointed

Term Expires

V.F.W. #7608

Merrimack Valley Planning Commission (Planning Board Member)

Howard Snyder, Town Planner	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Alternate

Robert Watts, Planning Board	6/3/2013	6/30/2014
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Mobile Food Vendor Committee

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	11/03/2014
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MODERATOR

Beverly Enos	ELECTED 4/30/2013
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EXPIES

5/2016

North East Mosquito Control

Date Appointed

Term Expires

(Designated Liaisons by Board of Selectmen on 5/26/99)

Mosquito Larviciding and Spraying

Deborah Rogers	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Water Management Activities

Vacant

"OPEB" Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund Trustees

Jacqueline Cuomo, Treasurer	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Mary McMenemy, Town Accountant	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Stephen Smith, Chair BoS	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Chair FinCom		6/30/2015
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Michael Farrell	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Open Space Committee See: CONSERVATION COMMITTEE, Sub-Committees, Open Space Committee

Park & Recreation Commission

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Richard M. Aberman	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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James DiMento, Chair	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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Joseph Soucy	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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David Schauer	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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Suzanne Caulfield	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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Juliette Rec	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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Al Kitchin	6/17/2013	6/30/2015
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PEABODY LIBRARY

Elected Trustees

ELECTED

EXPIRES

Kevin F. Moran (unexpired term)	4/30/2013	5/2015
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Susan L. Clohecy	4/30/2013	5/2016
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Mary Saunders	5/12/2014	5/2017
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Michelle Brock	5/12/2014	5/2017
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Walter Chris Laut	5/14/2012	5/2015
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Ronald Chorzewski	5/14/2012	5/2015
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Personnel Director	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	7/2009	duration of employment

PLANNING

Town Planner (Hired by Planning Board on 1/23/2012)
Howard Snyder

Planning Board Committee Members ELECTED		EXPIRES
Matilda Evangelista	5/14/2012	5/2015
Timothy Howard (filling an unexpired term 2018)	5/19/2014	5/2015
Robert Hoover	5/12/2014	5/2019
Robert E. Watts	5/14/2012	5/2017
Harry LaCortiglia	5/9/2011	5/2016

Planning Board Alternate Member	Expires
Vacant	

Planning Board Sub-Committees

Master Plan Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
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MVPC/Regional Brownfields Advisory Committee
Vacant

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief

Donald Cudmore

Hired 7/1/2013

Lieutenant

David F. Thomson

Date Appointed

6/23/2013

Term Expires

6/30/2017

Scott Hatch

1/27/2015

3/31/2015

Sergeant

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Kevin M. DeFeo

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

Thomas E. Dejoy

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

James Rodden

1/27/2015

3/31/2015

Detective

Michael P. Goddu

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

Master Patrolmen

Patrolman

Dennis Sullivan

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

Derek Jones

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

Adam Raymond

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

Phillip Klibansky

6/23/2014

6/30/2017

Michael Broderick

9/1/2014

6/30/2016

Joanne Ballard

3/31/2015

6/30/2015

Reserve Officers

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Mark Anderson	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Tyler Dechene	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Joanne Vallone	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Keith D. Deguio	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Dean A. Julien	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Jay Martel	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Jeffrey French	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Heather Lifebvre	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Jonathan Henriquez	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Matthew Carapellucci	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Eric Cochran	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Scott H. Yanosick	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Henry Olshefsky	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
David Rosquete	1/27/2015	6/30/2015

Animal Control Officer

Derek Jones	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Assistant Animal Control Officer

Keith D. Deguio	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Dean A. Julien	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Reed Wilson	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

Constables

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Arthur Murphy, Jr. (3 yr appt)	6/9/2014	6/30/2017

Harbormaster

Michael Broderick	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Assistant Harbormaster

Jeffrey French	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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School Crossing Guards

	Appointed	Term Expires
Kenneth Woodbury	6/3/2013	6/30/2014
Joseph Bouchard	6/3/2013	6/30/2014
George Comiskey	6/3/2013	6/30/2014

Sexual Harassment Grievance Officer

Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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SATURN (Statewide Anti-Terrorism Unified Response Network)

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Thomas Dejoy	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Albert Beardsley, Fire Chief	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

Registrar of Voters

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
DEMOCRAT		
Douglas Baird	6/3/2013	6/30/2016

REPUBLICAN

Vacant	6/11/2012	6/30/2015
Richard Boucher	6/9/2014	6/30/2017
Janice McGrane as Town Clerk	No apt needed by the Board of Selectmen	Tenure

Recreational Path Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Bill Hastings	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Jeff Wade	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Christian Roop	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Sandra Martin	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Julie Coolidge	10/6/2014	6/30/2015

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**Superintendent of Schools** (Appointment by School Committee)

Carol Jacobs (July 1, 2007)	*no apt needed by the Board of Selectmen
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School Committee Elected Officials	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Elana Peled	5/14/2012	5/2015
Pamela Lundquist	5/14/2012	5/2015
Laurene A. Polignone	4/30/2013	5/2016
Michael Hinchliffe(until 5/15 election)	6/23/2014	5/2015
Barbara M. Linares	5/12/2014	5/2017

Crossing Guards See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, School Crossing Guards

Scholarship Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Carol Jacobs	By Virtue of Employment	
Kenneth G. Woodbury	6/3/2013	6/30/2014
Pamela G. McKay	6/3/2013	6/30/2014
Deborah Mulligan	6/3/2013	6/30/2014

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School, District Committee Representative

(School Committee Appointment)	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Dr. Jo-Ann Testaverde	2014	3/31/2017

School Feasibility Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
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School Building Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Stuart Egenberg, Selectman	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Tillie Evangelista, Planning Board	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Pamela Lundquist, School Committee	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Jeff Wade, Tech Exp	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
George Comiskey, Citizen	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Ellie Sinkewicz, Citizen	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Michelle Smith, Parent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Kerry Stauss, Parent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Eric Zadina, Parent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

James Lacey, FinCom	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
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Non-Voting Members

Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Carol Jacobs, Superintendent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Margaret Maher, Principal	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Joan Liporto, School Business Manager	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Peter Lucia, M/H Principal	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

Sealer of Weights & Measures	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Wallace Rose	6/23/2014	6/30/2015

Selectman's Office: See: BOARD OF SELECTMEN and/or TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Sexual Harassment Grievance Officer See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, "Sexual Harassment"

Stormwater Management Committee (established 5/17/2004)

Deborah Rogers, Health Agent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Steven Przyjemski, ConCom Agent	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Howard Snyder, Town Planner	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/9/2014	6/30/2015

Synthetic Turf Advisory Committee (established 12/3/2012)

(1-Finance and Advisory member, 1 School Committee member, 2 Georgetown Athletic Assoc. members, 1 Park & Recreation member, and 4 Selectmen appointments 2 voting and 2 non-voting members)

Jim DiMento, Park & Recreation	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Jon Pingree, GAA	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Mark Perry, GAA	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Michael Anderson	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Peter Durkee	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Barbie Linares, School Committee	6/23/2014	6/30/2015
Vacant, FinCom		6/30/2015
Carol Jacobs, Superintendent (non voting)	6/9/2014	6/30/2015
Joan Liporto, School Business Manager(non voting)	6/23/2014	6/30/2015

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Mary McMenemy	5/21/2012	5/31/2015
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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Michael Farrell	Date Appointed 6/3/2013	Term Expires 6/30/2016
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TOWN CLERK

Janice McGrane	ELECTED 4/30/2013	EXPIRES 5/2016
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Asst. Town Clerk

(Appointment by Town Clerk)

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Kathleen Roche	5/14/2014	5/14/2015
TOWN COUNSEL Kopelman & Paige	Date Appointed 6/9/2014	Term Expires 6/30/2015
TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (BoS reduced to a 3-member Committee 6/3/2013)		
	Date Appointed	Term Expires
TREASURY		
Treasurer/Tax Collector Jacqueline Cuomo	Date Appointed 6/9/2014	(3-year term) Term Expires 6/30/2017
Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Collector Pam Rogers	Date Appointed 6/9/2014	Term Expires 6/30/2017
Tree Warden: See Highway Surveyor		
VETERANS'		
Veterans' District Representative Philip Trapani	Date Appointed 6/9/2014	Term Expires 6/30/2015
Veteran's District Agent Ryan Lennon		
Veterans' Graves Officer Vacant	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Assistant Veterans Graves Officer Vacant		
WATER DEPARTMENT		
Elected Water Commissioners	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Nicholas Lawler	5/14/2012	5/2015
Scott Edwards	4/30/2013	5/2016
Jeffrey W. McClure	5/12/2014	5/2017
Water Superintendent Louis Mammolette--hired 9/16/2013		
Water Conservation Committee (Appt by the Water Commissioners)	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee Representative See; SCHOOL DEPARTMENT, Whittier Regional Technical High School District Committee Representative		
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
Jeffrey Moore	Date Appointed 6/3/2013	Term Expires 6/30/2017
Sharon Freeman	6/20/2011	6/30/2016
Dave Kapnis	6/3/2013	6/30/2018
Gina Thibeault, Chair	6/7/2010	6/30/2015

Paul Shilhan	6/23/2014	6/30/2019
Alternate Members of Zoning Board of Appeals		<i>(3 Associate Members)</i>
	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Shawn R. Deane	12/15/2014	6/30/2015

GEORGETOWN ASSESSORS FISCAL YEAR 2015 REPORT

The Assessors Office has completed the state mandated Interim Adjustment on all taxable property. In addition to the state mandate this office has been very busy with the number of new parcels and new dwellings. The Assessors Office for the fifth time completed an in-house Interim Adjustment. Also all field work and data entry was completed in-house saving the Town thousands of dollars for FY 2015.

The Department of Revenue certified the Fiscal Year 2015 tax rate of \$16.03. New growth was calculated at \$149,287. The new levy limit is \$18,213,412. Below is a table with the parcel counts and value distributed by classes.

TAX CLASSIFICATION	PARCEL COUNT	ASSESSED VALUE BY CLASS	TAX RATE	TAX AMOUNT BY CLASS
RESIDENTIAL	2893	\$1,028,779,440	\$16.03	\$ 16,491,334
COMMERCIAL	55	\$ 37,910,610	\$16.03	\$ 607,707
INDUSTRIAL	88	\$ 42,166,500	\$16.03	\$ 675,929
MIXED USE	18	\$ 8,048,330	\$16.03	\$ 129,015
PERSONAL PROPERTY	256	\$ 18,699,104	\$16.03	\$ 299,747
TOTAL	3310	\$1,135,603,984	\$16.03	\$18,203,732

Motor Vehicle Revenue for calendar 2015 = \$1,349,258.14

Respectfully submitted,

Office Staff: Assistant Assessor/Office Manager
Jay Ferreira, MAA

Assistant Assessor/ Clerk
Rose Provencher, MAA

BOARD OF ASSESSORS:

David A. Bogdan	Exp. 2018
Thom Berube	Exp. 2016, Chairman
Arthur McDonald	Exp. 2017

Georgetown Community Preservation Committee Annual Report, FY 2015

Background and Authority: The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) is a coalition of representatives from multiple municipal boards and commissions charged with making recommendations for the funding of projects for vote by residents at the annual town meeting. Revenues available for expenditure during the FY 2015 were generated through a 3% surcharge on property values as well as matching funds by the state under the authority of the Community Preservation Act. In 2015, approximately \$ 192,755 in state matching funds in addition to the \$398,192 in revenues collected from the surcharge.

Under the Act, the CPC solicits and reviews proposals for projects and makes recommendations to the Select Board for inclusion on the town meeting warrant. Residents of the town vote at town meeting on whether to fund the projects. To be eligible for CPA funds, the project must address a need under one of the following categories: The support of Community Housing; the creation and preservation of Open Space; the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use; and Historical Preservation. The Act requires the CPC to reserve at least 10% of the available revenues for each category. For FY 2015, \$56,000 was reserved for each of the required categories, along with \$21,000 as an Administrative Reservation, as allowed under the Act. The unused portion of the Administrative Reservation was returned to the pool of remaining CPA funds.

Membership: The CPC is comprised of representatives from the Conservation Commission (Carl Shreder), Planning Board (Harry LaCortiglia), Park and Recreation Commission (James Dimento), Select Board (Gary Fowler), Finance and Advisory Committee (Ed Dobie), Open Space Committee (Peter Burns), Affordable Housing Trust (Paul Nelson), Housing Authority (David Schauer), and the Historical Commission (James Davenport). The current officers of the Committee are: Harry LaCortiglia, Chair; Peter Burns, Vice-Chair; and James Davenport, Treasurer.

Meetings: The CPC meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the Town Hall. The CPC held a public information meeting on April 7, 2015 to inform the town of the projects that it intended to send to the Select Board for inclusion on the town warrant. This meeting was broadcast on local cable television. Additionally, the CPC offered several opportunities for public comment during the project review period.

Project Suggestion Submission Period: The CPC solicited projects from September 1 through November 26, 2014.

Project Selections/Recommendations for Town Meeting: The CPC recommended eight projects for funding in addition to a recommendation to allocate funds to cover bond costs for the High School Turf Athletic Field approved in a previous year. All the projects recommended by the CPC were approved for funding by the citizens of Georgetown at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2015.

Approved Projects, FY 2015: The projects below were approved for funding during the Annual Town Meeting, May 2015.

CPA Recommended Projects Summary	
Historic Reservation ----->	\$56,000.00
Open Space Reservation ----->	\$56,000.00
Community Housing Reservation ----->	\$56,000.00
Administrative Reservation ----->	\$21,000.00
Housing Authority Stormdoors	\$3,600.00
A.H. Trust Block Grant	\$80,000.00
Digitization of Historic Documents	\$22,000.00
Town Hall Shrub Fence	\$9,500.00
Bond Costs	\$200,424.85
American Legion Park Restoration (Phase 3)	\$46,833.00
East Main St Rec Facility Phase 1 Completion costs	\$140,000.00
Open Space Active Rec Land Purchase	\$158,000.00
West St. Field Improvements	\$45,000.00

Conservation Commission

FY 2015

The Georgetown Conservation Commission is responsible for administering the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act and the Georgetown Wetlands Protection Bylaw. These laws are intended to protect wetlands, ponds, lakes, brooks, streams, rivers, and any land subject to flooding and their resource areas. Resource areas include land within 200 feet of perennial rivers, streams and brooks, and within 100 feet of all wetland areas. In these "resource areas", the Commission is charged with controlling activities that could degrade water quality, increase flooding, impair wildlife habitat or have any other adverse impacts to the environment.

In working with the Department of Environmental Protection and the Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, the Commission strives to continually educate themselves and the community about the importance on preserving our valuable natural resources. As we work together as a community to protect, preserve and conserve, we will continue to establish a town that has a tremendous sense of pride.

The Georgetown Conservation Commission meets on Thursday nights in a Town Hall Meeting Room. Site reviews and additional meetings are held as needed. Exact dates and times of the public hearings and public meetings are posted outside the Assessor's office in Town Hall, as well as, on the town website. All required forms for filing with the Commission are available on the town website or at the Conservation office. The public is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Each year, the Conservation Commission makes steady progress towards a proactive methodology to conservation. The Commission has developed several standard "Orders of Conditions" which helps applicants better understand the Commission requirements. The local "Orders of Conditions" give the Commission the opportunity to protect specific sites and their unique resources.

The Commission supports town subcommittees such as the "Open Space Committee", "Camp Denison Committee" and "Littles Hill Stewardship Committee", all of which are vigorously working to create conservation areas open for public use. The following are the Commission's current open space locations: Camp Denison, Hampshire Woods, Littles Hill, Bailey Lane, Lufkin's Brook, Spruce Pond, Pentucket Acres, Parker River Landing and Pentucket Pond. Also, the Commission recently acquired additional land abutting the Camp Denison property.

The Camp Denison Committee is in the process of improving the use and appearance of Camp Denison off Nelson Street. There are a number of volunteers who have dedicated their time and effort to make Camp Denison a pleasurable location for the people of Georgetown to spend time. The Camp Denison crew is always working hard to maintain the property. Volunteers and donations have really made a big difference at Camp Denison. The "Work Shop in the Woods" summer day camp for kids and the "Be-Epic" theater show have been a tremendous source of income for the camp, as well as the number of other camp rentals such as boat and property rentals.

The Commission continues to move forward on conservation land maintenance. The Department of Wildlife & Fisheries has given the Conservation Commission and the Board of Health a leading role in issuing permits to alleviate threats from beavers. With the beaver population on the rise, the local government can best determine what action is best for the town and how to best protect the public from property damage.

Through the Open Space Committee, the Georgetown Open Space Plan is nearly completed. The Open Space Plan is helping the Commission plan acquisitions and manage Georgetown's open space. The Open Space Committee is helping the Conservation Commission become proactive by acquiring ecologically sensitive and upland resource areas for the passive recreational enjoyment of all Georgetown citizens. Their efforts will help preserve Georgetown character, environmental and natural heritage for our future generations. The Open Space Committee has been very active and has helped open lines of communication with neighboring Communities.

The Georgetown Conservation Commission has also been working with the Community Preservation Committee. The Community Preservation Act passed at the May 2001 Town Meeting. The Community Preservation Committee provides much needed grant money for open space, historic properties, and creating affordable housing. In 2003, Hampshire Woods was purchased through a CPC grant for \$290,000. In 2004, the first of the Trails and Access preservation CPC grant was approved for \$5,000. Also, the first Pentucket Pond Fanwort control CPC grant was approved for \$45,000. The Conservation Restriction for Hampshire Woods was also approved for \$15,000 through CPC grant money. In 2005, the second of the Trails and Access preservation CPC grant was approved for \$10,000. Also, Bailey Woods purchase was approved for \$240,000.00. In 2006, the second of the Pond Fanwort control CPC grant was approved for \$36,000.00. The 32 acre CPC purchase of Driftway farms was approved in 2011 for \$255,000

The Commission will continue to be actively involved with educating the people of Georgetown on the Wetland Bylaw and Wetland Protection Act. Making every citizen aware of these valuable resources will help Georgetown become a prize community. Residents who would like to learn more can check out the town web site, come by the Conservation office, or call the office at: (978) 352-5712. We look forward to assisting the residents of Georgetown.

The Commission would like to thank all of the community volunteers who spend their personal time to make Georgetown a great place to live. We would also like to thank the other town boards and their staff for their continued support and help.
Respectfully submitted,

Carl Shreder – Chairman
Laura Repplier – Commissioner
Lillabeth Wies– Commissioner
Nick Feitz – Commissioner
Andrew Currie- Commissioner
Rachel Bancroft – Commissioner
Rae Ann Baldwin-Commissioner
Steve Przyjemski – Conservation Agent

Georgetown Council on Aging FY 2015 Annual Report

As a result of solid support and expanded relationships within the community, the Georgetown Council on Aging (COA) ended Fiscal Year 2015 in a very strong position, with positive program growth and the stage set for future opportunities. Based on the documentation of increased services and care management required for a steadily expanding elder population, voters at Town Meeting agreed to spend up to \$45,000 to design and plan the engineering necessary to modify a wing of an elementary school (Perley School) for use as a Senior Center. At the same time, voters approved an increase in the COA Personal Services (salary portion) from \$68,772 to \$82,489, a 20 percent increase in the COA's FY16 Budget, which will allow the COA Outreach Worker and Administrative Assistant to move from part time hours to full-time positions once the new facility is complete. As the design for the new space is completed, voters at an October Special Town Meeting will be asked to fund the construction costs needed to modify the five classrooms in the wing for use as the new Senior Center. The COA anticipates moving into the new facility early in the new year. The consolidation of the COA's activities, programs and services into one location will allow the COA to serve the Town's current and future population in a more efficient and effective manner.

In Fiscal Year 2015, board members and their positions included: Claire Maimone, Chair; Esther Palardy, Vice Chair; Jean Perley, Secretary; Chandler Noyes, Treasurer; Corona Magner, Diane Prescott, Sue Gardiner, Jeannine DesJardins, Nancy Thompson and Alternate Board Members Carol Sheehan and Ann Stewart. Following the loss of long time board member Chandler Noyes, alternate board member Caroline Sheehan was appointed as a full board member and Richard Boucher was appointed as an alternate member. Council on Aging staff members in FY 15 included Director Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello, Outreach Worker Kirsten Klueber, Newsletter Editor/Administrative Assistant Julie Pasquale, Van Driver David Hall, Meal Site Supervisor Ailene "Mickie" Locke and Meal Site Assistant Al Miller.

Committed to the goal of supporting elders as they age in place, the COA offers a wide range of cultural, social, health, informational and educational programs to local elders and their families. According to the 2010 Federal Census, 1,428 elders over the age of 60 live in Georgetown. However, the 2015 local residents' age list shows that 1,803 elders over the age of 60 live in Georgetown representing approximately 22 percent of the town's total population.

The documented growth of COA programs and services along with strong community and municipal partnerships placed the Georgetown Council on Aging in a good position to consider the Perley School project as an opportunity for future growth and expansion. The additional demand for services has been documented by the COA as a trend over the past several years. In FY08, the number of duplicated elders served by COA programs and services was 4,477 while the number of unduplicated elders served was 458. As a result of growth as well as the Georgetown COA's increased

connections with the community, the number of duplicated elders served by COA programs and services grew to 6,377 in FY15, a 70 percent increase from FY08. At the same time, the number of unduplicated elders served increased to 665 in FY15, a 68 percent increase. Including requests for support and assistance with food resources, fuel assistance, transportation as well as support for complex clients living with a variety of physical and psycho/social needs, case management and advocacy provided by the COA has increased dramatically. The COA served 357 unduplicated clients with case management services in FY15, a 300 percent increase from the 91 unduplicated clients served in FY09. Working collaboratively with the Georgetown School District and the Board of Selectmen to repurpose the wing of the Perley School as a Senior Center facility will maximize the opportunity for COA program and participant success while continuing to strengthen the relationships that build a healthy community.

Following the success of My Life, My Health: Chronic Disease Self-Management Program and the Diabetes Self-Management Program in previous years, the COA partnered with Elder Service of Merrimack Valley's (ESMV) Healthy Living Center of Excellence to offer the eight-week Matter of Balance Program. The program was highly successful with 14 participants completing the program. Community outreach to promote the program included press releases in the local newspapers, announcements in the Alzheimer's Association Events Calendar, COA newsletter and on the Cable TV community bulletin board. As a result, the COA will continue to work with ESMV to provide future self-management programs for people living with chronic diseases.

As an example of community partnership, the Trustees of the Perley Free School again provided a fuel assistance program to local residents who experience difficulty with heating costs. In addition to the money that is used to fund scholarships for Georgetown graduates and alumnae, the Trustees oversee a small endowment to aid Georgetown residents facing financial hardships. Concerned for people who may have difficulty with heating costs, the Trustees continued the plan for a limited heating assistance program for a fourth year. In FY15, the Trustees provided six individuals with heating assistance. The grassroots effort enhances heating assistance programs available through Community Action, allowing more individuals to receive services within the community.

In its first full year, a partnership with a local elder lawyer has allowed the COA the opportunity to provide a monthly elder law consultation program. With questions regarding elder law, estate planning, health care proxies and advance directives, the program provides elders with resources and information about the next steps to take. In FY15, the program served 16 unduplicated individuals and will continue in the new fiscal year.

The support of Crosby's Marketplace, a local grocery store, as a sponsor for our monthly Men's Breakfast program further illustrates the strength of the COA's partnerships within the community. Along with a nutritious breakfast for the participants, speakers the COA coordinates and plans speakers for the program. With topics ranging from health and wellness, Medicare, retirement, Veterans' issues, current

events, town government, home and personal safety, and local history, speakers are planned each month. During Fiscal Year 2015, the COA served a total of 154 men, an average of 16 per month for the 10-month program (we missed two months with inclement weather!) Participation in the monthly breakfast program continues to evolve and expand with new participants joining the group. Along with an opportunity to share a nutritious meal and socialize with friends, the breakfast program provides the COA with an opportunity to develop relationships with men in the community and to identify their specific needs and concerns.

The Friends of the Council on Aging group continues to increase community support and raise awareness for the COA's mission of serving elders and their families in the community. Gift basket raffles at recent elections have raised both funds and "friends" for the Council on Aging. The COA donation account has also gratefully received several gifts which have been used to support COA programs and activities.

Participation in the income tax preparation program available through the Association for the Advancement of Retired People (AARP) also saw increased participation this year. Two volunteer Tax Aides prepared state and federal tax returns for 84 unduplicated individuals at the Council on Aging's office this past year, a 54 percent increase from the 58 individuals served in FY14. The preparers also served eight unduplicated non-elders in FY15. Along with income tax preparation, the Tax Aides also provided participants with information regarding the state's Circuit Breaker Tax Credit and helped resolve individual issues with the state Department of Revenue regarding requests for additional verification from elders.

A continued partnership with the Georgetown School Department has allowed the COA to further expand programs and activities available to local elders within the community. Six elders participated in a monthly guest reading and "listening" program that allows participants to read to early elementary students while also listening to young readers read to them. To supplement the exercise classes available through the COA, the Georgetown School Department continues to offer the use of their building for indoor walking during the fall and winter. Four participants walked a total of 20 times at the school this year. As another intergenerational opportunity, seventeen elders attended a high school concert program and holiday breakfast. In April, the Culinary Arts Department at Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School prepared and served a special lunch for elders at the COA meal site. Along with the very fine cuisine, students and elders enjoyed an opportunity to share and socialize. The programs offered in partnership with the School Department continue to be well-received and are all scheduled to resume this fall. The upcoming move to the new Perley School facility will offer the COA and the community future opportunities for intergenerational activities.

The Georgetown and Merrimack Councils on Aging continue to share an 8 passenger van as part of a regional transportation plan. Funded with a grant from the state Department of Transportation's Mobility Assistance Program, the van is leased from the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority (MVRTA) and provides a vital link to needed services for elders and disabled individuals in Georgetown and Merrimack. To support

independence and the goal of aging in place, the COA van traveled 4,947 miles in FY15 providing 14 individuals with 104 weekly shopping trips and 25 elders with 52 social recreational outings to restaurants, shopping areas, museums and other recreational areas.

Providing elders with transportation to medical appointments, six volunteer drivers serving through Northern Essex Elder Transportation (NEET), Inc. supplied 8 elders with 64 round-trip out-of-town medical appointments located in Salem, North Andover, Newburyport, Amesbury, Beverly, Lawrence, Ipswich, Wenham Peabody, Danvers, Haverhill, Rowley, Georgetown and Groveland this past fiscal year. The six volunteer drivers with the NEET program donated 85.5 hours driving a total of 1,319 miles to provide elders with transportation to their medical appointments. Although some of our clients and drivers have both aged out of the program and it continues to be a challenge to find younger drivers, the service continues to be valuable to those served and those providing the service.

To further address elder transportation needs, the COA staff also provides elders with information and referrals to the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority's (MVRTA) Ring and Ride transportation service. Using wheelchair lift-equipped MVRTA vehicles, the Ring and Ride program provides Georgetown residents with free curb-to-curb transportation to anywhere in Amesbury, Boxford, Georgetown, Groveland, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, Newbury/Byfield, Newburyport, North Andover and West Newbury as well as to the Rowley Commuter Rail Station and Market Basket. The COA staff also provides clients with information and referrals to the Mass Health Transportation Program if eligible.

While the COA prepares for the new Senior Center facility to become ready for use, the COA continues to offer programs and services in three different locations: office space at Town Hall; rented space at the First Congregational Church which is used for congregate meals, programs, services and activities; and activity space made available without charge by the Georgetown Housing Authority at the Trestle Way Community Building. Exercise classes, the Men's Breakfast, TRIAD and some social events are held in the community room located at the town's public housing while referral, insurance counseling, outreach, transportation coordination, income tax assistance and newsletter production take place in the COA office space located at Town Hall. Assisted by two part-time staff members, the COA Director continues to divide time between the office at town hall as well as coordinating and overseeing activities in the other two locations. With an expansion of the Tax Incentive Program to include up to 30 participants, the COA has gained assistance from four volunteers who provide support for some of the programs and activities that take place at the three different locations.

Although this past winter's inclement weather led to several cancellations and reductions in weekly programs and activities, weekly exercise, game and craft programs along with nineteen community education and health information and prevention programs were well attended this past year. Community education program participation grew from 24 unduplicated elders in FY14 to 34 elders in FY15. Including

seasonal luncheons, socials and monthly birthday parties, the duplicate count of elders eating lunch at the congregate meal site increased from 1,033 in FY14 to 1,079 in FY15, a 44 percent increase in the number of elders continuing to eat lunch at the meal site and provides evidence of a steady participation rate. Morning cribbage and card group continues to be enjoyed before lunch. This year, at least 16 participants played 273 games of cribbage and various card games, an 18 percent increase from FY14. Sponsored by a grant from the Georgetown Cultural Council, a series of five musical and theater programs were well attended by 73 people this past year.

A continued connection with Emmaus, Inc. of Haverhill allows the doll-making group to create hand-sewn dolls for children living in local emergency shelters. This year, I delivered 128 dolls to the program's family shelter in Haverhill. The relationship with Emmaus has brought real meaning and purpose to the doll-making group and the relationship continues to be a benefit to the participants as well as to the recipients of the dolls.

On a monthly basis, a SHINE Counselor (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Elders) is available to meet with people to discuss health insurance questions and concerns. The SHINE Counselor and COA Director often work together to provide clients with a higher level of service, sometimes meeting together or separately to assist clients with health insurance, prescription drug insurance or to provide assistance in completing state or Federal program applications. The meetings often lead to additional outreach to the clients. This year, the COA has seen a significant increase in the number of younger elders seeking supplementary health insurance information as they turn 65 years and prepare to retire. This trend provides evidence to support the position that a steadily increasing local elder population will generate a greater demand for services within the community. During the past year, the SHINE counselor and COA Director met with 53 unduplicated elders to assist with Medicare, Medigap policies, prescription drug plans and other health insurance issues, an increase from 23 individual served in FY14. This represents a 134 percent increase in the unduplicated number of elders served. In October, nine individuals attended a forum with SHINE representatives from Elder Services of Merrimack Valley (ESMV) to discuss recent changes in the health insurance industry. The program was televised by Cable TV, reaching an even greater audience within the community.

In partnership with the Board of Health, the monthly blood pressure clinics and annual flu clinic all saw steady and stable participation. The COA's Durable Medical Lending Program loaned 40 pieces of medical equipment to 31 unduplicated individuals this past year.

The Georgetown TRIAD continues to hold successful safety presentations and programs at Trestle Way in Georgetown. Along with the Essex County Sheriff's Department, the Georgetown TRIAD includes active participation by the Georgetown Police and Fire Departments, the Council on Aging, the Housing Authority and local elders. Although the inclement weather and loss of the group's chairman affected participation, at least 10 elders participated in a variety of programs presented by the TRIAD group. Staffed by TRIAD volunteers, File of Life and Grab and Go information

tables were also available at Senior Photo ID and ICE Your Phone events. Several members of the Georgetown Police Department were also on hand to present important community safety information. Additional outreach programs are planned this fall.

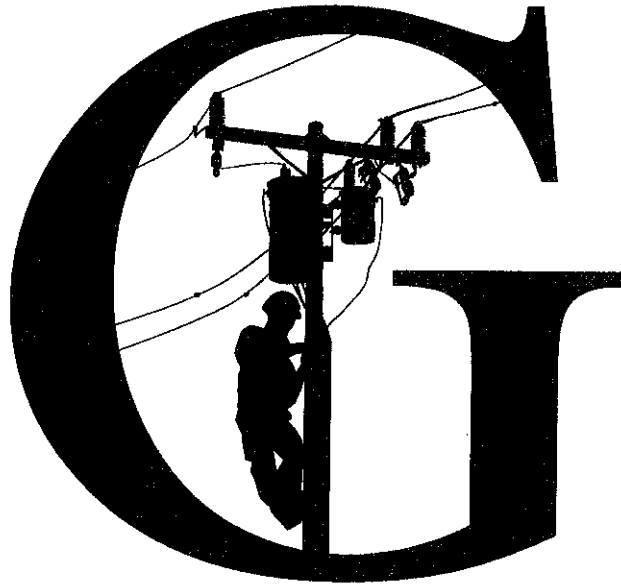
Providing evidence of the Georgetown COA's increased community connections, client finding with contacts from elders new to the town or to the COA increased from 25 contacts in FY14 to 49 contacts in FY15, a 145% increase. Including requests for support and assistance with food resources, fuel assistance, transportation as well as support for complex clients living with a variety of physical and psycho/social needs, case management and advocacy saw a significant growth this year, from 126 unduplicated elders served in FY14 to 187 unduplicated elders in FY15. Representing a 48 percent increase in the service, the COA maintains a confidential client file with emergency contact information on each elder served as well as ongoing progress notes on specific elders who receive case management services. In addition to home visits and office appointments, ongoing client support is provided with weekly reassurance calls to frail and homebound elders. In FY15, 398 reassurance/wellbeing calls were made to 357 elders. The COA also received 2,333 telephone calls and requests for information, assistance and referrals from elders this year. To offer additional outreach within the community, the COA Director and Outreach Worker wrote 60 sympathy, get well, thank you and thinking of you notes to local elders and family members.

In April, COA staff members coordinated and prepared the COA's eighth annual Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast in April as a way to acknowledge and thank many of our volunteers. The breakfast was attended by more than 40 volunteers, including town officials and administration. During the breakfast, the COA Director also held a training session for the volunteers that included an overview of updated information from Georgetown's Community Profile as part of the Massachusetts Healthy Aging Data Report, Active ageing: a framework for age friendly cities, Global Age-Friendly Cities: A Guide World Health Organization and Georgetown Elder Population Recent and Projected Growth prepared by the Georgetown COA. The presentation also included research regarding the connection between volunteerism and wellbeing and a review of COA participation statistics.

On an annual basis, the COA monthly newsletter is mailed or delivered to 9,372 households. To further strengthen the COA's community outreach, the COA Director writes press releases for local newspapers and cable television and update the Town's website on a monthly basis. Along with posting information on the Cable TV community bulletin board, the Cable TV station frequently records our programs for use on the local Cable TV community access station, allowing information related to elder programs and services to reach a greater audience within the Town. Cable TV interviews and opportunities to present information regarding COA programs and services to community groups and town departments have also expanded the COA's connections within the community. The local newspapers have also supported the COA's community outreach work by publishing feature stories connected to specific elder issues as well as press releases and photographs advancing COA programs and events. This year, three local newspapers published 49 press releases, feature stories, photographs and letters to the editor publicizing COA programs and activities.

Along with increases in case management, an analysis of this year's statistics found that increases were primarily seen in health and community education as well as wellness and SHINE programs, which provides evidence to support the top three areas of concerns of health and wellness, financial worries and concerns regarding maintaining independence noted by elders in the COA's 2014 participation survey. The increases in this year's statistics also reflect the concern for economic security and health care noted by elders in the greater Haverhill area surveyed by Elder Services of Merrimack Valley in the 2012 Community Needs Assessment. The number of unduplicated elders served by the Georgetown COA in FY15 was 665, a consistent trend with the number of 660 unduplicated elders served in FY 14. Non-elders often contact the COA seeking information regarding programs and services for family members, but also participate in COA programs and activities. As a reflection of continuing need, the number of unduplicated non-elders served by the Georgetown COA was steady at 262 individuals served. Although the opportunity to repurpose a portion of the Perley School as a Senior Center facility in the new year will allow the Georgetown COA to gain efficiency and effectiveness in serving elders and their families, the Georgetown COA remains committed to the mission of providing elders with the greatest opportunities possible regardless of the physical location of the department.

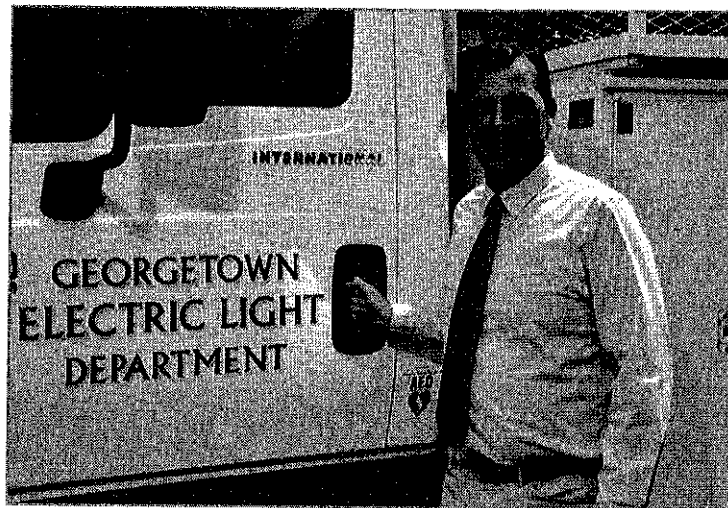
The COA thanks the Kiwanis, the Georgetown School Department, Georgetown Cultural Council, Georgetown Country Gardeners Club, the Over the Hill Band, Ashland Farms, Crosby's Marketplace, the Trustees of the Perley Free School, Nunan Florist and Greenhouses, the Friends of the Georgetown Council on Aging as well as the Town departments including the Georgetown Housing Authority, and the Georgetown Police and Fire Department for their continued support during the past fiscal year. With deep appreciation, the COA thanks the more than 154 volunteers who serve as board members, volunteer drivers, program assistants, newsletter production crew, office support and volunteers during special events. Providing the Georgetown COA with almost 3,000 hours of volunteer service this past fiscal year, an estimated value of \$62,550, their hours of service are a valuable asset as well as a significant savings to the town. Not only are they a resource and valuable asset to the COA, but they are a gift to all the people whose lives they touch. Their support is essential to the COA's mission of serving elders and their families.



***GEORGETOWN
MUNICIPAL
LIGHT DEPARTMENT***

2014 ANNUAL REPORT

LEADERSHIP



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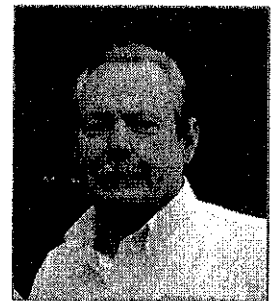
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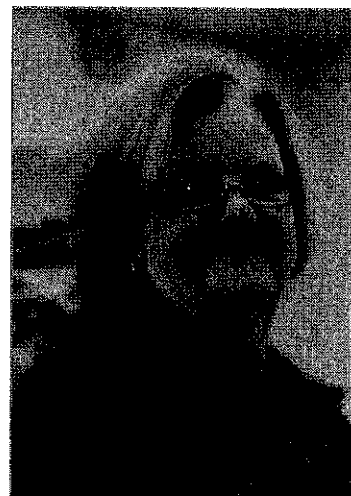


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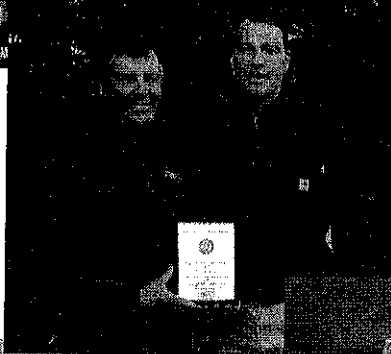
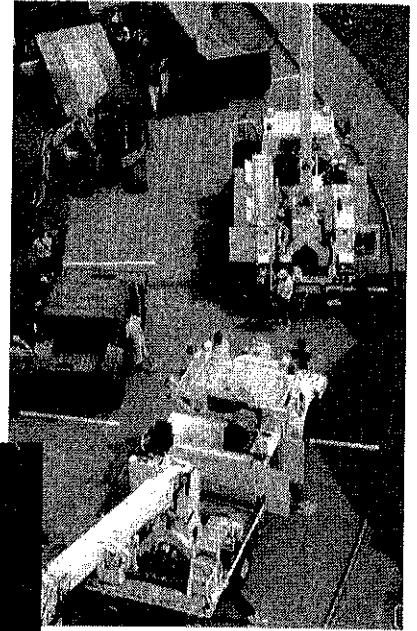


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2014 IN REVIEW





Georgetown Municipal Light Department

Dear Resident,

I am honored to serve as the General Manager of the Georgetown Municipal Light Department, a position I accepted in 2013. I know firsthand that Georgetown Light is an exceptional organization, one that is committed to providing its customers with a reliable system which is both efficient and cost-effective.

Throughout the past year, Georgetown Light maintained its focus, not only on its financial health, but also on being proactive in maintaining the electrical system and infrastructure, and protecting rates by ensuring a stable and diverse energy portfolio, while addressing increased power costs to the utility. Georgetown Light maintains more than 50 miles of overhead and underground lines, and our preventative maintenance efforts during the past year have focused on all areas, with an increased emphasis on Main Street.

We recognize that the electric industry is changing, especially in the power supply area which has resulted in volatility in the price of electricity. We continue to keep a close eye on our power supply to minimize the price volatility to customers, and look for additional ways to implement renewable energy and energy efficiency programs that provide value to all customers.

As a community, Georgetown has been fortunate to experience an increase in its economic base, with a growing number of residential and business customers. We currently have 26 large customers who rely on Georgetown Light for their economic vitality, and we continue to take an active role in new building and retrofitting efforts for new business and residential projects. Our two substations are each capable of assuming the entire load for the community, which not only allows us to provide continuous power during times of peak consumption, but also limits the amount of time our customers are without power in the event of a power outage or interruption.

And as a member of the community, Georgetown Light plays an active role in civic and community events. During the past year, we have worked with local Veterans to Maintain and install the many flags that line Main Street during the summer, worked alongside the Georgetown Department of Public Works to renovate American Legion Park, provided electrical safety programs to local students, and participated in a vehicle day at Georgetown Peabody Library. In addition, Georgetown Light hosted a customer appreciation day during Public Power Week and met with local seniors to educate them on consumer safety and discuss any concerns regarding the cost of power. We also introduced a quarterly newsletter during the past year that keeps customers informed about the utility, staff and programs. Our award winning Line Department epitomizes our quest for excellence by placing second in New England at the 2014 Public Power Lineworker's Rodeo.

Although Georgetown Light is among the small municipal electric departments in the Commonwealth, with a staff of eight employees and a fleet of six trucks, our customers recognize, and appreciate, our commitment to service, reliability and competitive rates, along with our involvement in the community in which we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

David Schofield
General Manager



Georgetown Municipal Light Department
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2014

ASSETS:

<i>Utility Plant</i>	
Distribution Plant	\$ 12,426,347.00
General Plant	869,397.47
Total Utility Plant	<u>13,295,744.47</u>
Accumulated Depreciation Distribution Plant	5,646,648.74
Accumulated Depreciation General Plant	626,672.33
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>6,273,321.07</u>
Net Utility Plant In Service	<u>7,022,423.40</u>
<i>Fund Accounts</i>	
Depreciation Fund	1,454,135.30
Investment - Other Post Employment Benefits	626,623.56
	<u>2,080,758.86</u>
<i>Current and Accrued Assets</i>	
Operation Cash	703,837.26
Working Fund	500.00
Account Receivable - Rates	895,539.94
Accounts Receivable - Municipal	3,047.29
Reserve For Uncollected Accounts	(3,259.58)
Inventory	29,771.28
Prepayments	592,857.56
Total Current And Accrued Assets	<u>2,222,293.75</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 11,325,476.01</u>

Liabilities and Capital

Liabilities:

Current Liabilities

Account Payable	\$ 732,513.07
Sales Taxes Payable	(127.31)
Accrued Bond Interest	(0.08)
Accrued Benefits	186,157.38
Consumer Deposits Payable	118,500.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,037,043.06</u>

Long Term Liabilities

Bonds Payable	400,000.00
Total Long Term Liabilities	<u>400,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,437,043.06</u>

Capital:

Surplus	7,613,643.58
Other Post Employment Benefit Trust	626,623.56
Contribution In Aid Of Const.	1,648,165.81
Total Capital	<u>9,888,432.95</u>

Total Liabilities and Capital	<u>\$ 11,325,476.01</u>
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Georgetown Municipal Light Department
Income Statement
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Revenues:

Residential Sales	\$ 4,905,983.69
Commercial Sales	705,277.27
Commercial Sales Large	1,654,701.00
Street Lighting	36,050.22
Municipal Power Sales	342,786.16
Private Area Lights	21,792.50
Payment Discounts	(227,686.95)
Rent From Electric Property	6,276.00
Misc. Electric Revenue	2,850.00
Residential Conservation Service Charges	8,170.40
Merchandise And Jobbing Income	157,378.52
Other Income - Rec	3,429.40
Total Revenues	<u>7,617,008.21</u>

Cost of Sales:

Purchase Power	3,588,594.60
Other Power Cost	94,749.44
Transmission	1,808,833.64
Total Cost of Sales	<u>5,492,177.68</u>

Gross Profit	<u>2,124,830.53</u>
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Expenses:

Depreciation	256,225.92
Interest On Bonds	17,340.00
Interest - Other	1,131.48
Operation Supervision & Engineering	1,870.00
Operation Labor	253,363.87
Operation Supplies & Materials	8,137.40
Meter	5,416.99
Miscellaneous Distribution	91,729.08
Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	440.76
Maintenance Of Structures	175.00
Maintenance Of Station Equipment	2,245.98
Maintenance Of Overhead Lines	205,751.52
Maintenance Of Underground Lines	1,691.76
Maintenance Of Line Transformers	135.40
Maintenance Of Street Lights	12,074.93
Maintenance Of Misc. Distribution Plant	2,633.42
Meter Reading	12,972.32
Customer Record	138,757.45
Miscellaneous Sales	3,371.70
Administrative Salaries	132,339.19
Office	79,521.67
Outside Services	78,819.49
Property Insurance	40,186.02
Employee Pension And Benefits	450,070.80
Miscellaneous General	1,091.43
Maintenance Of General Plant	3,698.72
Transportation	59,045.88
Total Expenses	<u>1,860,238.18</u>

Net Income

Net Income	<u>\$ 264,592.35</u>
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Office of the
Chief of the Fire Department



Fire Business: 978 352-5757

Fire Facsimile: 978 352-5741

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN

Fire Department Headquarters

47 Central Street

Georgetown, Massachusetts 01833-2408

Georgetown Fire Department Budget for Fiscal Year 2015

12211	Fire Salaries and Wages	\$337,337.00
12214	Fire Operating Expense	\$97,242.00

Georgetown Fire Department Response Statistics July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Incidents

Type of Incident	Total #1,811 FY 2014	Percentage FY 2014
Fires	56	3.09%
Explosions	2	0.11%
Rescue & EMS responses	639	35.28%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	64	3.53%
Service Calls	840	46.38%
Good Intent Calls	62	3.42%
False Alarm & False Calls	144	7.95%
Severe Weather/Natural Disaster	4	0.22%
Total Number of Incidents:	1,811	100.00%

Apparatus Response

Apparatus	Total Number of Responses
Ambulance 11	657
Ambulance 12	591
Engine 1	393
Engine 4	11
Engine 5	326
Rescue 1	15
Ladder 1	107
Combination 4	2
Car 1	305
Forestry 2	6

During Fiscal 2015 the Fire Department continued to see requests for services and emergency medical calls increase. As the town emerged from the fiscal crisis that began in 2009 the associated positive trends were witnessed with increases in home sales and contractor renovations. With this uptick, the impact on the Fire Department is an increased need for inspections. In FY2014 the Fire Department continued to move forward with the emergency ambulance service as well as focusing on our regular fire activities and Fire Prevention. We saw the graduation of three members from Emergency Medical Technician school and obtaining their EMT licenses. One firefighter completed his Call Firefighter recruit training provided by the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Overall, it has been a most rewarding year for the Department, but the demands of the training and call volume does take its toll. Several members had to leave the Department because of the growing demand on their personal time. 45% of our calls for service occur on nights, weekends and holidays. Add training requirements on top of this and it's easy to understand the demands made on people.

Some highlights of the recent fiscal year:

- Fire Prevention & Public Education Division – This Division continues to be pro-active in the community. Besides providing trained personnel to perform inspections on the schools, homes and businesses we're also very actively involved with our senior and people of all ages. Several community outreach programs were initiated during FY 2014 and were aimed at helping to make our seniors safer in their homes. Visits were frequently made to homes and apartments as well as conducting breakfast meetings and other social events. Over this past year, the Fire Prevention Division has spent countless hours with ensuring the new Penn Brook School met the requirements of all applicable fire codes.
- Training – Now that we have a transporting ambulance we spend many hours reviewing and training on procedures associated with emergency medical services. As well, we make the same commitment to our fire training. Personnel dedicate anywhere between 3-4 nights per month and often a weekend to training. The business of a fire department requires personnel keep up with new methods and techniques to be more efficient and safe.
- Grants – In FY 2014 the Fire Department applied for a fire/life safety grant and received funding under the S.A.F.E grant program which totaled almost \$6,000. This grant allows us to purchase goods and pay the wages to personnel that go into the schools to educate our children and to help our senior population be fire safe.
- Personnel: Chief Al Beardsley retired on August 31, 2015. Chief Beardsley had over forty years in the fire service with the last eight serving as the Georgetown Fire Chief.
- The Heartsafe Community program during the 2015 calendar year. The GTFD Instructors taught total of 36 classes/participants:
 - Heart saver CPR: 16 classes/ 108 people
 - Healthcare Provider CPR: 13 classes/ 57 people
 - First Aid: 4 classes/ 29 people
 - Choke saver: 3 classes /6 people
 - Town Employee Classes (included in tallies above): 10 classes /80 employees

The members of the Georgetown Fire Department would like to thank Chief Al Beardsley for his 8 years of service as the Fire Chief and wish him well in his retirement. As the new Fire Chief, I look forward to working with the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, and Town Department Heads/Staff to provide excellent fire and emergency medical service to the Town of Georgetown. Also, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and others for their support of our Fire Department. Finally, I would like to take this time to publicly thank our firefighters and their families as well. As a predominately on-call firefighting force, we rely greatly upon these people for providing fire/emergency medical services at a minimal cost to the town. Our firefighters/emergency medical technicians dedicate hundreds of hours for training and answering calls for help. As a firefighter you experience a lot of missed meals, missed ball games, and interrupted family functions, holidays and many sleepless nights. We do this out of the love for the job and the desire to help the citizens of our Town. If you're interested in learning more about the Fire Department, or would like to join call 978-352-5757, or stop the station any time. Be Safe!

Respectfully submitted,

Fred A. Mitchell Jr
Fire Chief

Housing Authority Annual Report

The Georgetown Housing Authority consists of 126 elderly and handicapped units on Trestle Way and 10 family units on Jewett Street. The Board of Commissioners is made up of four elected Commissioners and one appointed.

Frank Harper	Chairman	elected, term expires 5/2020
Phil Cardoza	Member	elected, term expires 5/2016
Juliette Rec	Treasurer	elected, term expires 5/2017
David Schauer	Vice chairman	elected, term expires 5/2018
State Appointee	vacant	

Our monthly meetings are held at 23 Trestle Way on the second Wednesday of each month at 3:15. There are no regular meetings scheduled in July, August and December.

The 2015 fiscal operating budget was set at \$751,500 for income and \$763,700 for expenses.

All units are occupied or being renovated for new residents.

After eleven years of serving on the Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners, Elizabeth (Betty) Davidson resigned this year. Betty served as treasurer, chairman and as our representative on the CPC board. Thank you so much Betty, you will be missed!

We entered into a management agreement with the Topsfield Housing Authority, sharing administrative and maintenance staff between the two agencies.

In 2015 we launched a website www.georgetownhousingauthority.com

The CPC funded storm door installation continues.

GEORGETOWN BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

1 Library Street, Georgetown, Massachusetts 01833
tel. (978) 352-5736 fax. (978) 352-5725

INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2015

STAFF:

Jon Metivier	Building Commissioner / Zoning Enforcement Officer	35 hrs/week
Linda Valle	Administrative Assistant	24 hrs/week
Mark Unger	Wiring Inspector	20 hrs/week
Bill Gianacoples	Plumbing & Gas Inspector	20 hrs/week

The Georgetown Inspections Department issues and inspects all building, electrical, plumbing, gas, HVAC and sign permits. In Fiscal Year 2015 the following permits were issued in the Building Department:

Single family residences	7
Commercial	12
Additions	11
Renovations	57
Signs	3
Demolitions	6
Wood/Solid wood stoves	18
Porches/Decks	19
Roofs / Siding	63
Accessory structures	15
Windows & Doors	41
Pools	10
Wireless communications	3
<u>Sheds</u>	<u>7</u>

TOTAL FY 2015 permits	272
TOTAL FY 2015 fees	\$48,164.70

WIRING / ELECTRICAL PERMITS:

FY 2015 Electrical permits	185
FY 2015 Electrical fees	\$15,509.00

PLUMBING PERMITS:

FY 2015 Plumbing permits	136
FY 2015 Plumbing fees	\$7,659.20

GAS PERMITS:

FY 2015 Gas permits	130
FY 2015 Gas fees	\$6,166.10

HVAC PERMITS:

FY 2015 HVAC permits	12
FY 2015 HVAC fees	\$659.00

TOTAL PERMITS	735
TOTAL FEES	\$78,158.00

Thank you to the other Town departments, boards, commissions, and employees for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Metivier
Building Commissioner / Zoning Enforcement Officer

Annual Report FY2015 Georgetown Peabody Library

The Georgetown Peabody Library continues to be an active, vibrant community center and place of relaxation for our residents. We continue to look for opportunities to improve our services to the community. The library is in the process of creating a new Community Room designated for teens after school and for those who need a small meeting room space.

PERSONNEL:

We bid a farewell and good luck to our Library Director of 13 years, Ruth Eifert, in March 2015 who moved on to the Lee Public Library in Lee, New Hampshire as their Library Director. In June 2015, Sarah Lynch became the new Library Director. Sarah began as the Adult Librarian here in Georgetown in June 2013. We would like to thank the entire staff of the Georgetown Peabody Library for taking on extra workload during this transition.

CIRCULATION/HOLDINGS:

Our Circulation numbers are compiled both from what we own and what we borrow from other libraries. We have a total of 45,616 adult materials, 2,648 young adult materials and 22,574 children's materials in the library. We circulated 38,420 in Adult materials, 2,352 in Young Adult materials and 28,969 in Children's materials. This brings us to a total of 69,741 circulated materials!

BORROWING:

We have 5,599 registered borrowers. We borrowed 12,301 items from other towns for Georgetown Residents and sent out 21,077 items to other libraries. We had 2,527 downloads by our residents through Overdrive, our e-book supplier. This includes both e-books and audio books. This service is free to all cardholders. Non-residents coming to Georgetown borrowed 11,289 items.

HOURS:

People coming into the library increased this year averaging 160 per day with a total of 37,851 visits at the library! The library was open 1581 hours this year, 168 of those hours were Saturdays, and 428 of those hours were after 5pm. Snow closures this past winter caused our total hours of the library being open to decrease by 14 hours compared to last year.

PROGRAM ATTENDANCE:

We held 177 Children's programs with 2,719 attendees. We also hosted 10 Young Adult programs with 149 attendees and 19 Adult programs with 189 attendees. We had 320 children sign up for the Children's summer reading program and 51 teens sign up for the Teen summer program in FY15. Thank you to all those who attend our programs!

VOLUNTEERS:

Throughout the year we had 13 volunteers. We had both young adults doing High School Community Service and adults who enjoy contributing their time and effort to the library. They volunteered a total of 246.8 hours. We are very thankful to have these wonderful volunteers dedicate their time to helping the library continue to be a wonderful place to visit and enjoy.

MEETING ROOM USE:

Our Meeting Room was used for 347 meetings by various groups in town. These include our regular library story hour programs, adult programs, teen programs, the Friends of the Georgetown Peabody Library Book Sale, Cub, Girl, and Boy Scout groups, book club discussion groups, town organizations' meetings, association meetings, yoga and exercise classes for town employees.

SUPPORT:

We continue to enjoy the generous support of the Friends of the Georgetown Peabody Library. They help the library in many ways. They continue to hold an annual Book Sale in the fall and held a wonderful fundraiser called Books in Bloom in March 2015 which helped them purchase museum passes and fund our programs for the Summer Reading Programs. The Georgetown Cultural Council has also been great supporters of the library. They provided grant money for the Alex the Jester program.

FY15 Library Budget from Municipal Appropriation:

Expenses	\$108,145
Salaries	\$200,941

Balances of Library Trust Funds June 30, 2015

State Aid to Public Libraries Received FY15	\$10,082.65
State Aid to Public Libraries Expended FY15	\$27,471.38
State Aid to Public Libraries Balance	\$15,346.48
Michele Patten Fund	\$1,400.03
Memorial Gift Fund	\$16,152.56
Sawyer Fund Interest (Principal: \$5,000)	\$1,640.16
Peabody Fund	\$113,993.59

**Georgetown Police Department
Fiscal Year 2015**

Fiscal Year 2015 brought many new changes to the Georgetown Police Department. Two (2) long time police officers and top supervisors retired from the department after more than thirty (30) years of dedicated service to our community. Lieutenant David F. Thomson III served as the Executive Officer of the department for more than ten (10) years and did so with dedication. Sergeant Thomas E. DeJoy also retired and served as the department's first full-time detective and came to supervise the entire division upon his retirement. His contributions will be difficult to replace. As a result of these retirements, several officers were promoted due to their outstanding performance throughout their years of service as well:

- Sergeant Scott Hatch to the rank of Lieutenant and the Executive Officer of the department
- Detective James E. Rodden to the rank of Patrol Sergeant
- Detective Michael Goddu to the rank of Patrol Sergeant
- Reserve Officer Joanne Ballard to the rank of Full-Time Patrol Officer

The department continued to enhance all department policies and procedures to maintain Accreditation status. The department has maintained this award since 2007 and is one of only 56 agencies in the Commonwealth to do so. This is a true testament to the dedication of our officers to progressive policing excellence. The department's overall policy development and process has taken a true leadership role in our area.

All department personnel were trained as required by law and received the appropriate certifications to remain proficient in their skills as police officers and dispatchers. Yearly weapons and tactics training highlighted the year once again.

Officers and Dispatchers continue to strive in maintaining the Public Safety Building and preserve it for the future. Although funding is often limited, employees continue to volunteer and keep the department in great condition and accessible to the public at all times. The development of our drug drop off box program and the new "On-Line Safety Zone" has created a safe environment for our residents to use at all times when they need it. Their continued volunteerism is greatly appreciated and saving our taxpayers dollars every day.

Serving as the Police Chief during the last three (3) years for this wonderful community I have to again thank the dedicated men and women of the police department for their cooperation, commitment and professionalism to our community. Each day I witness acts of kindness, generosity and commitment that few communities can attest to. They truly make my job easier and as a resident I rest easy knowing they are here to help us all in a time of need.

Finally, on behalf of the entire department, we thank our residents for their continued support financially and for the endless acts of appreciation shown to us all. Please know as your police department we will continue to serve, protect and keep our community safe and always attempt to provide the best and proactive 21st century police services available.

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR FY 2015

* Calls for Service reported to N.I.B.R.S. pursuant to policy:

Forcible Rape - 1
Forcible Fondling - 1
Aggravated Assault - 0
Simple Assault - 34
Intimidation - 8
Breaking and Entering - 23
Shoplifting - 1
Theft from a Building - 11
Theft from a M/V - 25
All Other Larceny - 17
Counterfeiting - 6
False Pretense/Scams - 9
Credit Fraud - 6
Destruction/Vandalism - 37
Drug/Narcotics - 16
Disorderly Conduct - 3
Operating Under the Influence - 20
Trespassing - 3
All Other Offenses - 130
Traffic/Town Bylaw Offenses - 197

* All Calls for Service I.M.C. Entries - 13,432:

Arrests/Summons - 127
Animal Complaints - 368
Accidental/Abandoned 911 Calls - 117
Assist other P.D.'s - 185
Disturbances - 132
General Services - 115
Investigations - 84
M/V Crashes - 204
Soliciting - 45

* Traffic Enforcement:

Citations - 932
M/V Arrests - 31
Civil Infractions - 108
Verbal Warnings - 204
Criminal Complaints - 69
Warnings - 402
Municipal Ordinances - 118

Recreational Path Committee

2015 Fiscal Year End Report

October 08, 2015

Status

Significant progress continues to be made on the Georgetown 4.5 mile recreational path. The trail is a part of the 30 mile Border to Boston trail that will run from Danvers north through Wenham, Topsfield, Boxford, Georgetown, Newbury, Newburyport, and Salisbury. The Border to Boston trail is part of the East Coast Greenway that runs from eastern Maine to Key West Florida. The Danvers, Wenham, Topsfield, Newburyport, and Salisbury sections are now in use and portions of the Georgetown trail are available for use.

In July 2014, the Board of Selectmen signed the license agreement with National Grid that allows for opening the trail “as is” with mowing and trimming allowed in some areas by the Conservation Commission. While there are still bridges that need repair and sections that are still impassable, the sections that are available are a wonderful addition to the town’s recreational options. The current surface is best suited for walking or jogging and residents are taking advantage of the trail for those activities.

Mowing and trimming is being done in authorized areas by the committee and volunteers for this year while arrangements are underway to hand off the task to the Highway Department in 2016 under the supervision of the Park and Rec Commission.

The state DOT continues to work on a project to complete the full design. The project has been divided into 2 segments, Project # 607541 south of Andover St. and Project # 607542 north of Andover St. These projects are scheduled to be constructed in 2018 and 2019 respectively.

Accomplishments

The following is the timeline of key activities and accomplishments for FY 2015.

- Acceptance of license with National Grid by the town and opening of the trail in an “as is” condition.
- Clearing of the entire southern section of the trail connecting Andover St. all the way to Camp Denison (with the exception of one bridge that is in need of repair).
- Collaboration with local and regional groups to understand and accommodate endangered species in the area of the trail.
- Park and Rec Commission voted to accept responsibility for maintenance of the trail starting in spring of 2016.
- Merrimack Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization finalized (in August 2015) the 2015 TIP and Georgetown was awarded construction funding for the northern portion of the trail (including from the Georgetown town line to Center St. in Byfield) in the amount of \$4,359,973 in the 2019 budget from State Wide CMAQ funds. The southern portion is already funded in the amount of \$2,000,960 in the 2018 budget from the same funding source. This means the construction is now completely funded. Note: all other costs other than construction e.g. legal, land, etc. are not covered by this funding and existing town CPA funding will be used.

Committee

Current members of the committee are Jeffrey Wade (chair), Bill Hastings, Chris Roop, Sandy Martin and Julie Coolidge.

Next Steps

- 25% Design Public Hearing
- Determine plan for interim repair and opening of bridges
- Develop “Friends of the Trail” and additional community engagement
- Environmental permitting and completion of design
- Finalization of the National Grid lease following 75% design

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT JULY 1, 2014 THRU JUNE 30, 2015									
		Balance	Commitments	Refunds or audit adj.	- Collections	- Abatements	Tax Title Defer/Adjust.	Re-dist. Adjustments	Balance
		7/1/14							6/30/15
2011 M.V. Excise		7,240.52			(448.24)	(6,792.28)			-
2012 M.V. Excise		7,769.18			(1,497.60)				6,271.58
2013 M.V. Excise		19,309.23	181.46	58.41	(12,903.87)	(50.00)			6,595.23
2014 M.V. Excise		51,893.75	204,997.98	8,531.85	(236,185.23)	(9,296.73)			19,941.62
2015 M.V. Excise		-	1,127,799.66	7,396.65	(1,061,728.90)	(12,265.19)			61,202.22
Farm & Animal		-	133.79		(133.79)				-
2012 Pers. Prop.		3,924.19				(3,945.57)		21.38	(0.00)
2013 Pers. Prop.		5,666.02			(120.81)				5,545.21
2014 Pers. Prop.		6,295.10			(648.83)				5,646.27
2015 Pers. Prop.		-	299,748.53	1,124.01	(291,382.07)	(1,019.99)		(1.85)	8,468.63
2003 Real Estate		535.50							535.50
2012 Real Estate		-							-
2013 Real Estate		885.65		15,358.93	(808.41)	(15,358.93)		(77.24)	(0.00)
2013 C P A Surcharge		-							-
2014 Real Estate		87,189.29		17,035.66	(81,475.57)	(16,734.96)	(9,505.07)	3,490.65	(0.00)
2014 C P A Surcharge		1,648.32		502.05	(1,475.71)	(502.05)	(172.61)		-
2015 Real Estate		-	17,903,986.78	13,292.76	(17,614,305.19)	(61,098.05)	(73,727.98)		168,148.32
2015 C P A Surcharge		-	403,337.57	135.03	(396,716.03)	(2,221.45)	(1,296.28)		3,238.84
In Lieu of taxes		-							-
-		192,356.75	19,940,185.77	63,435.35	(19,699,830.25)	(129,285.20)	(84,701.94)	3,432.94	285,593.42

**Town Clerk Annual Report
FY2015**

September 2015

To The Residents of Georgetown:

The Town Clerks Office continues to be extremely busy with only 2 part time employees and the population continually increasing.

Working closely with Animal Control, we licensed 1362 dogs in 2014 which was an increase of approximately 200 dogs for the previous year.. A special thank you to Officer Derek Jones for his hard work and support.

The Town of Georgetown has approximately 8200 residents and 6200 voters.

This year we changed our method of posting meetings. We are now posting all meetings and agendas on line @ www.georgetownma.gov along with a copy on the meeting posting board at the rear door of town hall. This allows for 24/7 accessibility.

This office is also responsible for business certificates, census, voter registration, open meeting & conflict of interest filings, elections, town meeting, town meeting minutes, AG bylaw submittals, resident street listings, dog licensing, ZBA & Planning Board filings, dog licensing etc.

Respectfully Submitted

Janice M. McGrane
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
GEORGETOWN
October 27, 2014**

The Special Town Meeting was held on Monday October 27, 2014 at the Georgetown High School in the Auditorium. The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm. We do not have a quorum at this time and will take a 10 minute recess. It is 7:22 PM and a quorum is present. We have 109 registered voters checked in. The warrant for the special town meeting was presented to the Moderator and shows that it has been properly served.

We all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. All non-voting members in the audience and on stage were recognized by the Moderator.

The Moderator called for a motion to adopt a 2 minute speech limit on any discussion.

MOTION: Phil Trapani moved and it was seconded by Davis Surface to adopt a 2 minute speech limit for tonight's town meeting.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: By a show of hands, this passed by a 2/3rds vote.

ARTICLE 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2015 operating budget

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 3 of the 2014 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2015 budget, and other departmental transfers if needed, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Account Name	Line Item	Increase	Decrease
Street Light Assessment-Highway	14241	35,000	
Traffic Light Expense-Highway	12119	4,500	
Computer Sys Maint & Support	11225	48,000	
Free Cash			87,500

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty that the Town vote to amend the vote taken under Article 3 of the 2014 Annual Town Meeting Warrant as printed in the Warrant.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2: School Artificial Turf Field Lease

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the new artificial turf field and related facilities at the Middle/High School from the School Committee for school purposes to the School Committee for school and lease purposes, and to authorize the School Committee to enter into an agreement to lease the field upon such terms and conditions, and for such consideration as it deems appropriate, or take any action relative thereto.

THERE IS NO MOTION, THIS ARTICLE IS BEING PASSED OVER

ARTICLE 3: Fire Department, Rehabilitation of Ambulance 11

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) from Ambulance Enterprise Fund's retained earnings for the rehabilitation and equipping of Ambulance 11 for the Fire Department, or take any other action in relation thereto.

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Wayne Snow that the Town appropriate the sum of \$80,000.00 from Ambulance Enterprise Fund retained earnings for the rehabilitation and equipping of Ambulances 11 & 12 for the Fire Department.

MOTION TO AMEND: Sandy Gerraughty moved and it was seconded by Wayne Snow to amend the dollar amount in Article 3 be changed to \$172,000 from Ambulance Enterprise Fund with the funds being used for the rehabilitation and equipping of Ambulances 11 & 12.

EXPLANATION: Sandy explained that we loaned ourselves the funds from the stabilization fund at the spring town meeting and we can't move it back per DOR. So at the annual town meeting in the spring, we will rescind the votes so we can get the funds back into the stabilization fund.

DISCUSSION: Robin O'Malley asked what the balance was in this fund. Mike Farrell, Town Administrator, responded \$218,000. The question was asked what does this entail. Chief Beardsley stated that we buy a new cab & chassis and place the "box" on the new frame. It's 60% cheaper than buying a new ambulance.

ACTION ON AMENDMENT: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.

ARTICLE 4: Middle/High School Roof Units

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$175,000 for the replacement of the roof top ventilation units at the Middle/High School, including any costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$175,000.00 for the replacement of the roof top ventilation units at the Middle/High School, including any costs incidental or related thereto.

Discussion: Mike Anderson from the School Dept explained that the HVAC units are over 20 years old. They're getting a new roof in the spring so if we replace these at the same time we won't void the roof warranty. Robert Kelley asked why this was not included in the \$3.5 million rehabilitation. Mike responded that MSBA does not allow this as part of the scope. Dick Paganelli asked about the \$25,000 they got in the spring and why are we doing this at a special town meeting and not at the annual town meeting. Mikes response was that part of the \$25,000 was used for maintenance on the units to keep them running and the roof will be started in April and town meeting is not until May.

The Finance Committee voted in favor of this article, unanimously.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.

ARTICLE 5: Artificial Turf Field

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the design, construction and equipping of the new Middle/High School artificial turf field, including any costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

THERE IS NO MOTION, THIS ARTICLE IS BEING PASSED OVER.

Reggie Tardif stated that he recently got info that the artificial turn contains crushed rubber pellets which causes cancer in children. He was wondering if the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee have looked into this.

MOTION: Phil Trapani moved and it was seconded by David Surface to adjourn tonight's special town meeting.

ACTION: By a show of hands, this passed by a majority.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM

A True Copy Attest:

Janice M. McGrane, TownClerk

**TOWN WARRANT
ANNUAL & SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
May 4, 2015**

**Special Town Meeting
May 4, 2015**

We have a quorum present and the annual town meeting was called to order at 7:14 PM

The return of the warrant showed that it was properly served.

The non voting members were recognized in the audience.

The Moderator called up to the stage all residents in the audience who had served the town in any capacity. More than 50% of the audience came forward. They led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator accepted a motion to adopt a 5 minute speech limit by Harry LaCortiglia and it was seconded by Robin O'Malley.

By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.

Motion to adjourn the annual town meeting to take care of FY15 business at the special town meeting and immediately reconvene by Kathleen Sachs and seconded by Phil Trapani.

By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a unanimous vote.

The Special Town Meeting was called to order.

Article 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2015 operating budget

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 3 of the 2014 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2015 budget, and as necessary, to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing departmental expenses, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-0-0)

This article was passed over.

Article 2: Police Department, Police Academy Expenses

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,150.00 (four thousand-one hundred and fifty dollars) for the academy expenses of a new police officer who

was hired to replace a long time employee who has since retired, or take any other action in relation thereto.

This article was passed over.

Article 3: Reserve Fund for Accrued Liabilities

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Reserve Fund for Accrued Liabilities, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

MOTION: Robin O'Malley moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to transfer the sum of \$21,964.73 (twenty one thousand nine hundred sixty four dollars and seventy three cents) from Free Cash to the Reserve Fund for Accrued Liabilities Account Z-32927.

Explanation: This was set up 2 years ago to set aside money in anticipation of retirement payoffs (sick, vacation etc.)

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.

Article 4: Transfer from Overlay Surplus

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Overlay Surplus Account for the purpose of funding overlay deficits, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Tom Berube moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to transfer from Overlay Surplus \$2,090.77 (two thousand ninety dollars and seventy seven cents) to an interest accrual account to pay interest related to an abatement of FY2013 real estate property for ATB Case F319784, transfer from Overlay Surplus \$908.60 (nine hundred and eight dollars and sixty cents) to an interest accrual account to pay interest related to an abatement of FY2014 real estate property for ATB Case F319784, transfer from Overlay Surplus for ATB Case F319784 \$3,757.03 (three thousand seven hundred fifty seven dollars and three cents) to fund an actual payment deficit for FY2013, transfer from FY2014, and transfer from Overlay Surplus for ATB Overlay Surplus for ATB Case F32252 \$15,927.53 (fifteen thousand nine hundred twenty seven dollars and fifty three cents) to fund a potential overlay deficit for Case F32252 \$9,271.23 (nine thousand two hundred seventy one dollars and twenty three cents) to fund a potential deficit for FY2015.

EXPLANATION: Tom Berube stated they were just moving monies from other fiscal years to FY2015 to cover liabilities for exemptions granted by the ATB.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously.

Article 5: Transfer from Overlay Surplus (ATM15-38) (Submitted by the Assessors)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Overlay Surplus Account for the purpose of funding Thermal Imaging Cameras and Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's), for the Fire Department, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) for the purpose of funding thermal imaging cameras and automatic external defibrillators for the Fire Department.

ACTION: By a show of hands, this passed unanimously.

MOTION: Kathleen Sachs moved and it was seconded by David Surface to adjourn the special town meeting and return to the annual town meeting

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.
We will now reconvene the annual town meeting

Annual Town Meeting May 4, 2015

Article 1: Town Officers and Committee Reports

To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Finance Committee Report: Sandy Gerraughty thanked the department heads, Town Administrator, Town Accountant & Treasurer for their hard work putting together this year's budget. The Town does not have a lot of money this year, so you will see many articles passed over.

CPC report: CPC used money this year to digitize old town records, park & recreation purposes, affordable housing & the new turf field

A proclamation was presented to Steve Smith for his years of service to the Town.

Article 2: General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest and including support of the schools, to fix salaries of the several elected offices of the Town, as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing year, as set forth in the Finance and Advisory Board Proposed Budget and Town Meeting Warrant for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval. (Vote-4-0)

Finance Committee recommends approval 6-0

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,852,291 (twenty six million eight hundred fifty two thousand two hundred ninety one dollars), appropriate by transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund the sum of \$262,164 (two hundred sixty two thousand one hundred sixty four dollars), transfer from Septic Betterment the sum of \$21,060 (twenty one thousand sixty dollars), and transfer from the Affordable Housing Trust the sum of \$12,791 (twelve thousand seven hundred ninety one dollars), and transfer from CPC the sum of \$41,487 (forty one thousand four hundred eighty seven dollars) for a total appropriation of \$27,189,793 (twenty seven million one hundred eighty nine thousand seven hundred ninety three dollars), to defray charges and expenses of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, including support of the Town's public schools, Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School, and Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School to fix salaries of the several elected offices of the Town, and to provide for a reserve fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, in accordance with the line items and Finance Committee and Advisory Board's report to the May 4, 2015, Annual Town Meeting.

DISCUSSION: Harry LaCortiglia asked what the CPC money transfer was for as there was no recommendation from CPC.

Mike Farrell explained that this money was appropriated last year and was not spent. It is being used for the acquisition cost of the bond. It is not being spent two times.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously.

Article 3: Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

There is no motion. This article was passed over

Article 4: Capital Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum not to exceed \$50,000 to be added to the Capital Fund, a special purpose stabilization fund created by vote of the May 4, 2009 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, said funds to be further appropriated by Town Meeting for improvements and/or repairs to municipal buildings and infrastructure, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

There is no motion. This article was passed over

Article 5: Water Department Operating Budget

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Water Department Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Water Department under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Lou Mammolette moved and it was seconded by Robin O'Malley that the Town appropriate Water Department Enterprise Revenues for the operation of the Water Department under the direction and control of the Water Commissioners in accordance with the Water Department Budget as shown in the Finance & Advisory Board's Report to the May 4, 2015 Annual Town Meeting for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, such that a total of \$262,164 (two hundred sixty two thousand one hundred sixty four dollars) is appropriated for indirect operating cost as appropriated under Article 2, and a total of \$1,685,836 (one million six hundred eighty five thousand eight hundred thirty six dollars), to the Town to pay direct costs.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously

Article 6: Fire Department Ambulance Operating Budget

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Town's ambulance service under the direction of the Selectmen and Fire Chief for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Phil Trapani moved and it was seconded by David Surface that the Town appropriate Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Revenues for the operation of the Fire Department's Ambulance Services under the direction and control of the Board of Selectmen and Fire Chief in accordance with the Fire Department Ambulance Budget as shown in the Finance & Advisory Board's Report to the May 4, 2015 Annual Town Meeting for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, such that a total of \$31,680 (thirty one thousand six hundred eighty dollars) is appropriated for indirect operating costs as appropriated under Article 2, and a total of \$280,270 (two hundred eighty thousand two hundred seventy dollars) to the Town to pay direct costs.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously

{BEGIN CONSENT CALENDAR}

Article 7: Municipal Light Department Continuation of Operation

To see if the Town will appropriate receipts of the Municipal Light Department for the operation of said Department under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, as defined in Section 34, Chapter 164, General Laws, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Article 8: Zoning Board of Appeals Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to continue the Zoning Board of Appeals Revolving Fund as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. This fund shall be funded by applicants' fees to be expended without further appropriation for the purpose of application review including, but not limited to review services, clerical, legal expenses, equipment and office supplies. The Zoning Board of Appeals may expend from this account an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Article 9: Conservation Commission Revolving Fund for Camp Denison

To see if the Town will vote to continue a Conservation Commission Revolving Fund for Camp Denison as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. This fund shall be funded by program fees, facility use charges and outside vendor charges to be expended without further appropriation for the purpose of maintaining the support of the land and facilities including, but not limited to utilities, seasonal staff, legal expenses, equipment and office supplies. The Conservation Commission may expend from this account an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Article 10: Chapter 90 Reimbursement, Transportation Bond

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$305,483 (Three hundred five thousand four hundred eighty three dollars) or any other sum to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Transportation Bond issue, to be spent by the Highway Surveyor, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Article 11: Fire Department, Fire Alarm Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to continue a Georgetown Fire Department Revolving Fund as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws. This fund shall be funded by the annual fees charged for connection to the Municipal Fire Alarm system to be

expended without further appropriation for the purpose of maintaining the Municipal Fire Alarm System. The Fire Department may expend from the account an amount not to exceed \$14,000 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Article 12: Inspections Department, Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to continue an Inspections Department Revolving Fund as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws. This fund shall be funded by fees associated with electronic permit tracking software when permits are issued by the Town of Georgetown. Funds to be expended without further appropriation for the purpose of funding permit tracking software fees, training, computer upgrades, data storage, and electronic data conversion of existing paper files and contract work associated with the electronic permitting system. The Inspections Department may expend from this account an amount not to exceed \$12,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Article 13: Local Access Programming

To see if the Town will vote to continue a Cable Television Revolving Fund as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. This fund shall be funded by the Annual License Fee and the PEG Capital Funding (Section 7.4 of the contract) paid by Comcast and Verizon to the Town to be expended without further appropriation for the purpose of Local Access Programming, including but not limited to, utilities, salaries, equipment, maintenance and office supplies. The Cable Advisory Committee, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may expend from this account an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015; or take any other action in relation thereto.

{END CONSENT CALENDAR}

The Moderator will accept one motion for articles 7 thru 13. If you wish to hold any of the articles for discussion, just say "hold" as the Moderator reads that article # and description.

MOTION: Chris Tentindo moved and it was seconded by Joe Soucy to approve the consent calendar which includes Articles 7 through Article 13 as printed in the warrant.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared Articles 7 through 13 passed by a majority.

Article 14: Fire Department, Ladder Truck Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$77,000 (seventy seven thousand dollars) for the Fiscal Year 2016 lease payment for the Fire Department ladder truck, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to appropriate from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$77,000 (seventy seven thousand dollars) for the Fiscal Year 2016 lease payment for the Fire Department ladder truck.

David Surface stated that there is 1 more payment after this one.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a 2/3rds vote.

Article 15: Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum not to exceed \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars) to be added to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund, created by vote of the May 7, 2012 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.32B, §20, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-1-5)

MOTION: Gary Fowler moved and it was seconded by Phil Trapani to appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund, created by vote of the May 7, 2012 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.32B. §20.

Fin Com Report: Joe Bonavita stated that the Finance Committee did not vote in favor of this article.

EXPLANATION: Ed Dobie from the FinCom stated that money is tight this year and they felt that it was unnecessary at this time.

Dave Surface explained that this would help out the bond rating by putting money in this fund but we can wait until the fall town meeting to see if we have the money then.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared that this article does not pass.

Article 16: Council on Aging, Senior Center

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money for design and engineering services and to modify and equip a portion of the Perley School to be used as the Georgetown Senior Center, including all costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-4-2)

Motion: David Surface moved and it was seconded by Phil Trapani to transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund the sum of \$45,000 for the purpose of funding design and engineering services and to modify and equip a portion of the Perley School to be used as the Georgetown Senior Center, including all costs incidental or related thereto.

Finance Committee Report: Ed Dobie stated that the concept of this is good but the timing is bad. We just do not have the money right now.

DISCUSSION: Joanne Pasquale asked what they needed the \$45,000 for

David Surface explained that this is for the initial work to convert and bring it up to code. It is time for a senior center. Sandy Gerraughty sated this is for design and engineering of the classrooms to convert them over to a senior center.

Rob Hoover, Ed Desjardins & Alan Aulson spoke in favor of voting for this article.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a 2/3rds vote.

Article 17: Capital Improvement Program, Voting Machines

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase three (3) new digital scan vote tabulators, or take any other action in relation thereto.

There is no motion. This article was passed over.

Article 18: Capital Improvement Program, Tree Removal

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the removal of trees around the Public Safety Building, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

There is no motion. This article was passed over.

Article 19: Capital Improvement Program, Auditorium Flooring

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to replace the auditorium flooring in the Middle/High School, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

There is no motion. This article was passed over.

Article 20: Capital Improvement Program, Steel Exterior Door

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to replace the exterior door in the Middle High School, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

There is no motion. This article was passed over.

Article 21: Fire Department, Calibration System

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase a calibration system for the Fire Department's gas meters, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

This is no motion. This article was passed over.

Article 22: Fire Department, Repair Engine 1, 2003 E-One Pumper Truck

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to repair and equip Engine 1, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Stu Egenberg moved and it was seconded by David Surface to transfer the sum of \$12,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to the repair and equip Engine 1, including all costs incidental and related thereto.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared that this article passed by a unanimous vote.

Article 23: Reduce Finance and Advisory Committee from 9 to 7 members

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaw, §63-1, *Finance and Advisory Board*, by deleting the language shown in strikethrough and adding the language shown in bold to reduce the number of members of the Finance and Advisory Board from nine to seven as follows:

It shall be the duty of the Moderator to maintain a board of ~~nine~~ **seven** members to be known as the "Finance and Advisory Board," who shall hold no elective office in the town, and who shall serve without pay. The term of appointment for said Board members shall be **for alternating** three years ~~terms~~ or for ~~such~~ shorter periods ~~when as may be necessary to fill vacancies.~~ At or following each Annual Town Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint **three** members to said Board, ~~except that the first year this article takes effect he is to appoint three members for three years, three members for (2) years and three members for one year~~

Provided, however, that to implement this reduction in the size of the Finance and Advisory Board, one of the Board member positions expiring June 30, 2015 and one expiring June 30, 2016 shall not be filled.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-2-1-1)

The Assistant Moderator, Kathleen Sachs, stepped up to read this article as this is a conflict for Beverly Enos, Moderator as the appointee of the Finance Committee.

MOTION: Jim Lacey moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to approve Article 23 as printed in the warrant with the exception of the last paragraph "Provided, however, that to implement this reduction in the size of the Finance and Advisory Board, one of the Board member positions expiring June 30, 2015 and one expiring June 30, 2016 shall not be filled."

ACTION: By a show of hands, Kathleen Sachs, Assistant Moderator, declared this passed by a majority.

The Community Preservation Article is being treated as was the consent calendar, the Moderator will read the motion, if you wish to hold any portion of the article just say hold and it will be acted on separately.

Article 24: Community Preservation Committee (ATM15-25) (Submitted by CPC)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval of B, C, D, F, G, H, and I. (Vote-6-0)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval of E. (Vote-5-0-1)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval of A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H, and I. (Vote-4-0)

A: Community Preservation General Budget

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate, pursuant to G.L. Ch. 44B §6, from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2016; and further, pursuant to G.L. Ch. 44B §6, to reserve for future appropriation from Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: a sum of money for open space, including land for recreational use; a sum of money for historic resources; and a sum of money for community housing; as well as sum of money to be placed in the 2016 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act projects or purposes recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

Reservations:

\$56,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for open space, including land for recreational use; and

\$56,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for historic resources; and

\$56,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for community housing.

Appropriations:

\$21,000 (less than 5% of the estimated FY revenues) to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year;

\$144,424.85 (One Hundred Forty Four Thousand four hundred twenty four dollars and eighty five cents) from Undesignated Funds and **\$56,000** (Fifty Six Thousand dollars) from the Open Space / Recreational Land Reserve for a total of **\$200,424.85** (Two Hundred Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Four dollars and eighty five cents) for: the Debt Service, principal and interest payments and any and all costs associated with Bond notes and instruments incurred by the Community Preservation Fund related to the Articles previously appropriated at Annual Town Meeting in 2013 (Articles 27(H) ATM 5-6-13 and 27(I) ATM 5-6-13);

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Annual Town Meeting in 2013 (Articles 27(H) ATM 5-6-13

B: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, "Affordable Housing Trust Grant"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account, the amount of **\$63,134** (Sixty Three

Thousand one hundred thirty four dollars) and **\$16,866** (Sixteen Thousand eight hundred sixty six dollars) for a total of **\$80,000** (Eighty Thousand Dollars) as a grant to the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust for the purposes of Affordable Housing initiatives consistent with the Trust's Articles of Incorporation and the accepted Town of Georgetown Affordable Housing Production Plan and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Community Preservation Committee to enter into a grant agreement with the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust setting the terms for such grant, which may include a requirement that the owners of any dwellings subsequently receiving any of these appropriated monies from the Trust grant to the Town an Affordable Housing Restriction in said dwellings, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept such restrictions; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

MOTION: CPC Article 24 B

Harry LaCortiglia moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty that the Town vote to appropriate \$63,134 (sixty three thousand one hundred thirty four dollars) and \$16,866 (sixteen thousand eight hundred sixty six dollars) from the Undesignated Account for a total of \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously

We have revised this article to allow, but not require, acquisition of permanent restrictions in order to provide the Trust with a level of programmatic flexibility. The scope of use of funds under the revised CPA for housing purposes is not yet clear; however, provision of CPA funds to an Affordable Housing Trust is clearly allowable.

C: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, "Housing Authority Stormdoors"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account, the amount of **\$3,600** (Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars) to the Georgetown Housing Authority for the costs related to the installation of storm doors at the Trestle Way Housing Authority Complex; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Housing Authority, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

D: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Digitization of Historic Documents".

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of **\$22,000** (Twenty Two Thousand dollars) to be used solely for the ongoing preservation via digitization of Georgetown's historical documents and records. These historical documents will be scanned and appropriately archived ; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Georgetown Historical Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

E: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Town Hall Shrub Fence".

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of **\$9,500** (Nine Thousand five hundred dollars) to be used for the ongoing preservation of Georgetown's Historic Town Hall through the installation of a Shrub Fence for the property; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Georgetown Highway Surveyor in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for this purpose and for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-5-0-1)

MOTION: CPC Article 24 E

Scott Paganelli moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty that the Town vote to approve Article 24 (E) as printed in the warrant.

DISCUSSION: Ann Lacey stated that the fence should be removed as it is a rusty old fence but not with shrubs. She stated that a hedge could not support the weight of snow that gets pushed down there in the winter. It is a steep slope and a hedge would not be good. There would also be the need to take down 3 trees. Vote against this as a fence would be better.

Ed Desjardins from the historical commission agreed this is an eyesore but a fence would be much more costly. We could do a shrub fence for under \$10,000.00 There were many pros and cons about replacing the fence with shrubs due to maintenance & costs.

ACTION ON SECTION E: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority

F: Community Preservation Open Space / Recreational Land Category “Rehabilitation of American Legion Park (Phase 3)”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated funds the amount of **\$46,833** (Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Three dollars) to further fund the ongoing engineering, permitting and implementation of improvements as recommended by the Georgetown Park and Recreation Commission, including all costs incidental and related to the rehabilitation of the American Legion Park. This will include the replacement of playground equipment; and improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other federal, state or local building, access, and safety codes; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Park and Recreation Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the rehabilitation of this Facility. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

G: Community Preservation Open Space / Recreational Land Category “West St. Soccer fields Rehabilitation (Phase 1)”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Funds the amount of **\$45,000** (Forty Five Thousand Dollars) to fund the engineering, permitting and implementation of improvements, as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission, to the West Street fields, including all costs incidental and related to the rehabilitation of the facility; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen; Parks and Recreation Commission; and the Georgetown Water Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the rehabilitation of this Facility. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund Open Space / Recreational Land Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

H: Community Preservation Recreational Land Use Category, "East Main Street Active Recreational Land Access and Development (Phase 1 Completion Costs)"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account a total of **\$140,000** (One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars) to fund the ongoing engineering, legal, permitting, and development costs, including all costs incidental and related thereto, for the ongoing creation of an Active Recreational Facility at the location of the Recreational land off of Main Street, purchased by Art 20(E) of the Annual Town Meeting of May 4th, 2009; and to further provide for the costs of the engineering, permitting, development and legal pursuance regarding the access to and the continued development of The Georgetown Active Recreational Greenway of which the said Recreational land Facility is a component; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Parks and Recreation Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the development of this Facility. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

I: Community Preservation Recreational Land Use Category, "Active Recreational Land Purchases"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account **\$158,000** (One Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars) to fund for Active Recreational purposes, the acquisition of two parcels of land totaling approximately 29 acres, and for the appraisal, survey, title research and legal costs associated with the purchase, gift or eminent domain of the purchase of the two parcels, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire said property. The first parcel, of approximately 9 acres, is identified as Assessors Map 16, Lot 6. The second parcel, of approximately 20 acres, is identified as Assessors Map 16, Lot 7. Said parcels are to be managed and controlled by the Parks and Recreation Commission of the Town of Georgetown. And further to provide for the costs of the engineering, permitting, development and legal assistance regarding the parcels for the access to and the continued development of The Georgetown Active Recreational Greenway. And further, that the Board of Selectmen, Community Preservation Committee and the Parks and Recreation Commission be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the purchase and development of the parcels and including the conveyance of perpetual recreational restrictions in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 184, as required by Section 12(a) of Chapter 44B as amended, as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Georgetown to affect said purchase. Said restrictions may be granted to any organization qualified and willing to hold such a restriction in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44B. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the

remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

MOTION: CPC Article 24 I

Harry LaCortiglia moved and it was seconded by Gary Fowler to approve Article 24 (I) as printed in the warrant.

Laura Repplier stated that this piece of land is landlocked and accessed only by a Turning Leaf Parcel. Jim DiMento stated this would allow access to the "Greenway" of approximately 500 acres from Martel Way to East Main

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority

I note that unlike other appropriations for acquisitions of interests in land, appropriations from CPA funds for the purchase of land require only a majority vote.

There was a hold put on section B & E

MOTION: Harry LaCortiglia moved and it was seconded by Kathleen Sachs to accept Article 24 Sections A, C, D, F, G, H & I as printed in the warrant

MOTION TO AMEND: Sandy Gerraughty moved and it was seconded by Joe Bonavita to hold section I in addition to B & E

ACTION ON AMENDMENT: By a show of hands, The Moderator declared this passed by a majority

Motion to accept A, C, D, F, G & H passed by a majority

Back to section "B" (see motion after section B)

Article 25: Definitions and Word Usage: Subtractions and Additions

Definitions and Word Usage: Subtractions.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw,
§165-7 – Definitions and word usage by *REMOVING* the following definitions:

PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT – A tract developed in accordance with Article VII.

Comments – This amendment is proposed as definition is no longer required due to: 1) Article VII Planned Unit Development was repealed with Article 28 at ATM 2005 (amendment No. 155); and 2) Planned Unit Development was replaced with Open Space Residential Development §165-47 thru §165-59. D

Action – Planning Board recommends to the Board of Selectmen the amendment be placed on the warrant for Annual Town Meeting to be voted upon by the registered voters of Georgetown. The Planning Board made this recommendation by a motion and vote during a public hearing on February 25th, 2015. The Planning Board voted 4-0 in the affirmative.

Definitions and Word Usage: Additions.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw,
§165-7 – Definitions and word usage by *ADDING* the following definitions:

MEDICAL OFFICE – Suite of rooms, including a laboratory, where a physician or group of medical practitioners receive and treat patients on an on-going basis and otherwise provide health services to consumers.

OPEN SPACE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT – Method of planning residential development that conserves open space in a manner that maximizes the protection of natural resources (wetlands, forests, agriculture lands, open space) while providing for new construction and adequately compensating landowners.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Comments – These amendments are proposed in order to: 1) Add definitions of a use that are currently considered in Chapter §165 Zoning Bylaws. Uses in the bylaws but not defined are Medical Offices and Open Space Residential Development.

Action – Planning Board recommends to the Board of Selectmen the amendment be placed on the warrant for Annual Town Meeting to be voted upon by the registered voters of Georgetown. The Planning Board made this recommendation by a motion and vote during a public hearing on February 25th, 2015. The Planning Board voted 4-0 in the affirmative.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Rob Hoover moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to approve Article 25 as printed in the warrant.

Planning Board Report: Planning Board recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Howard Snyder, Planner explained that this is removing terminology that is not accurately defined

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously.

Article 26: Solar Energy Facilities

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by inserting a new bylaw, Article XXIV Solar Energy Facilities, as set forth below, applicable to solar photovoltaic installations, establishing standards for the placement, design, construction, operation, monitoring, modification and removal of such installations that address public safety, minimize impacts on scenic, natural and historic resources and to provide adequate financial assurance for the eventual decommissioning of such installations, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE XVIII Solar Energy Facility

§ 165-135 Purpose and Intent.

A.

The purpose of this bylaw is to promote the creation of new solar photovoltaic installations, herein referred to as a Solar Energy Facility, by providing standards for the placement, design, construction, operation, monitoring, modification and removal of such installations that address public safety, minimize impacts on scenic, natural and historic resources and to provide adequate financial assurance for the eventual decommissioning of such installations.

- B. The Provisions set forth in this bylaw shall be applied together and consistent with all other applicable provisions of the Zoning Bylaws, provided that in the event of a conflict the more restrictive provision shall apply

§ 165-136 Scope of Authority.

- A. The Planning Board shall act as the Permit Granting Authority (PGA) for Site Plan Approval of Solar Energy Facility projects.

§ 165-137 Applicability.

- A. Construction and use of a Solar Energy Facility or any part thereof shall require Site Plan Approval issued in accordance with this bylaw and Section 165-83 of the Zoning Bylaws. Such approval shall be required for new Solar Energy Facilities and for subsequent modifications to existing facilities that materially alter the type, configuration, or size of such facilities or related equipment.
- B. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the installation of accessory roof-mounted, solar photovoltaic installations on single and two-family residential dwelling structures.

§ 165-138 Definitions.

The following terms as used in this ordinance are defined as follows;

Commercial Solar Energy Facility: A ground mounted and/or roof mounted solar photovoltaic installation where the primary use is electrical generation to be sold to wholesale electricity markets. This includes, but is not limited to, transmission, storage, collection and supply equipment, substations, appurtenant structures, transformers, service and access roads utilized in connection with the conversion of solar energy into electrical power.

Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation: A solar photovoltaic system that is structurally mounted on the ground.

On-Site Solar Energy Facility: A ground mounted and/or roof mounted solar photovoltaic installation for the purpose of electrical generation where the facility is an accessory use to the principal use of the property on which the facility is located, and will generate electricity to be primarily consumed by the principal use of the property. This includes, but is not limited to, transmission, storage, collection and supply equipment, substations, appurtenant structures, transformers, service

and access roads utilized in connection with the conversion of solar energy into electrical power.

Solar Energy Facility: For the purpose of this bylaw, a Solar Energy Facility shall mean both on-site solar energy facilities and commercial solar energy facilities. Such facility shall include, but is not limited to, transmission, storage, collection and supply equipment, substations, appurtenant structures, transformers, service and access roads utilized in connection with the conversion of solar energy into electrical power.

§ 165-139 General Provisions.

B. Administration:

Prior to construction, installation or modification of a Solar Energy Facility, all provisions of this bylaw shall be met.

C. Compliance with Zoning Laws, Ordinances and Regulations:

The construction and operation of all Solar Energy Facilities shall be consistent with all applicable local, state and federal requirements, including but not limited to all applicable safety, construction, electrical, and communications requirements. All buildings and fixtures forming part of a Solar Energy Facility shall be constructed in accordance with the State Building Code.

D. Fees:

A filing fee as established by the PGA must accompany the Solar Energy Facility Site Plan Approval Application. This filing fee is established as the minimum filing fee required by the Planning Board for Site Plan Approval as outlined in the fee schedule.

E. General:

All plans, maps and pertinent documents shall be prepared, stamped and signed by the appropriate professional engineer or landscape architect who is licensed to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

F. Utility Notification:

No Solar Energy Facility shall be constructed until satisfactory evidence has been provided to the PGA that the Town of Georgetown Municipal Light Department has approved the connection of the Solar Energy Facility to the power grid. Installation of a Solar Energy Facility must meet the requirements of the "Qualifying Facility Power Purchase Rate" and "Standards for Interconnecting Distributed Generation" as published by the Town of Georgetown Light Department.

G. Safety Standards:

The Solar Energy Facility owner and/or operator shall cooperate with local emergency services in developing an emergency response plan. The owner or operator shall identify a responsible person for public inquiries throughout the life of the facility to the PGA, the Building Inspector, the Police Chief, and the Fire Chief.

(1) **Emergency Services Plan:** The Solar Energy Facility owner and/or operator shall provide a written plan including but not limited to a project summary, electrical schematic, and site plan to the Town's local safety officials including the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Building Inspector. The PGA shall confirm adequacy of emergency access and safety procedures with the local safety officials prior to approval of any site plan for the Solar Energy Facility.

(2) **Unauthorized Access:** The Solar Energy Facility shall be designed to allow access within the area of proposed limit of work to authorized personnel only. Electrical equipment shall be locked where possible.

H. Proof of Liability Insurance:

The applicant shall be required to provide evidence of liability insurance in an amount, and for the duration, sufficient to cover loss or damage to persons and property occasioned by the failure of the facility;

I. Financial Surety:

Proponents of solar photovoltaic projects shall provide a form of surety to the Town of Georgetown, either through escrow account, bond or otherwise, to cover the cost of removal in the event the Solar Energy Facility is discontinued and not removed and the site remediated as required herein. The surety shall be in an amount and form determined to be reasonable by the PGA but not in an amount to exceed more than 125 percent of the cost of removal and compliance with the additional requirements set forth herein, as determined by the project proponent and confirmed by the PGA. The proponents shall provide a security sufficient to cover the cost of removal for the first ten (10) year period. For every five (5) year term thereafter, the proponent shall return to the PGA to renew the surety in the amount sufficient to cover the costs of removal of the facility for the next five (5) year term. The applicant shall submit a fully inclusive estimate of the costs associated with removal of the facility as outlined in this section. The estimate of cost shall be prepared by a professional civil engineer and shall include a mechanism requiring the permit holder to continually adjust the amount of security in proportion to cost of living adjustments. Such surety will not be required for municipal and state-owned facilities.

J. Operations and Maintenance Plan:

The project proponent shall submit a plan for the operation and maintenance of the Solar Energy Facility. This plan shall include measures for maintaining safe access to the installation, storm water controls, as well as general procedures for operational maintenance of the installation

§ 165-140 Site Plan Approval Review Criteria and Procedures.

A. Criteria:

In the review and evaluation of a Solar Energy Facility application, and in making a written final determination, the PGA shall consider but not be limited to the following regulations;

- (1) Minimizes the volume of cut and fill, the number of removed trees that are six (6) inches or more in caliper, the area of wetland vegetation displaced, soil erosion, and threat of air and water pollution;
- (2) Provides adequate storm water management and other utilities, which shall at a minimum be consistent with the requirements of the Town of Georgetown Subdivision Rules and Regulations, Department of Environmental Protection, Massachusetts Stormwater Management Handbook (as revised), and other applicable regulation;
- (3) Minimizes obstruction of scenic views from publicly accessible locations;
- (4) Maximizes pedestrian and vehicular safety on-site, including points of ingress and egress;
- (5) Minimizes glare from headlights and lighting intrusion and reflection from photovoltaic panels;
- (6) Minimizes unreasonable departure from character, materials, and scale of buildings in the vicinity, as viewed from public ways and places or premises residentially used or zoned;
- (7) Provides adequate access to each structure for emergency response service equipment;

B. Submission Requirements and Required Documents:

The following information shall be provided for a Solar Energy Facility Site Plan Approval application, together with such information as is required to be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Section §165-83.

- (1) One or three line electrical diagram detailing the solar photovoltaic installation, associated components, and electrical interconnection methods, with all National Electrical Code (NEC) compliant disconnects and over current devices;
- (2) Photovoltaic panels including manufacturer and model, mounting system, collection, storage and supply equipment, and other associated components required for the conversion of solar energy into electrical energy production;
- (3) Documentation of the major system components to be used, specifications of the photovoltaic

panels including manufacturer and model, mounting system, collection, storage and supply equipment, and other associated components required for the conversion of solar energy into electrical energy production.

- (4) Name, address, and contact information for proposed system installer;
- (5) Location of the proposed solar system panels, arrangement of arrays, appurtenant structures, transmission infrastructure, foundations, and associated ground equipment, fencing, exterior lighting and access to them for maintenance and emergencies;
- (6) Outline of all existing buildings, including proposed structures (e.g. residence, garage, storage shed, etc.) on site and on adjacent parcels within 300 feet of the property lines of the site and any private access thereto. Distance from the Solar Energy Facility to each building shall also be shown on the plan;
- (7) Location and approximate height of tree cover and any potential shading from nearby structures or vegetation.
- (8) Designation of NHESP Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife, NH Priority Habitats of Rare Species zones and Groundwater Protection District if applicable
- (9) **Visualizations:** The PGA may select up to four sight lines, including from the nearest building with a view of the Solar Energy Facility for pre- and post-construction view representations. Sight lines for the view representations shall be selected from populated areas proximate to the proposed Solar Energy Facility. View representations shall have the following characteristics:
 - (a) View representations shall be in color and shall include actual pre- construction photographs and accurate post-construction simulations of the height and breadth of the Solar Energy Facility (e.g. superimpositions of the Solar Energy Facility onto photographs of existing views);
 - (b) All sight line view representations will include existing, or proposed, buildings or tree coverage;
- (10) Applicant shall demonstrate to the PGA's satisfaction that the following design process was followed in determining the layout of a proposed Commercial Solar Energy Facility or On-Site Solar Energy Facility;
 - (a) Understanding the development site: Inventory existing site features, taking care to identify sensitive and noteworthy natural, scenic and cultural resources on the site, and to determine the connection of these important features to each other;
 - (b) Evaluating site context: The second step is to evaluate the site in its larger context by identifying physical (e.g., stream corridors, wetlands), transportation (e.g. road and bicycle networks), and cultural (e.g., recreational opportunities) connections to surrounding land uses and activities;

The PGA may require additional information, data or evidence as it deems necessary pursuant to the site plan approval process.

C. Waivers:

The PGA may waive, by an affirmative vote, any of the submittal and design requirements if it determines that strict compliance with those submittal and design requirements, because of the size or unusual nature of proposed building(s), structure(s), or lay of the land, may not be in the best interest of the Town and general public.

D. Modifications to Approved Site Plans:

All material modifications to a Solar Energy Facility made after issuance of the required permit shall require approval by the PGA as outlined in Section 165-83.V.

E. Appeals:

The decision of the PGA and/or Building Inspector made on any project subject to the provisions of this section may be appealed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter §165-98 of Town of Georgetown's Zoning Bylaw.

F. Enforcement:

Enforcement of violations of any approvals and conditions of approvals, including violations of any development and/or performance standards identified in this Section shall be governed by Section §165-97 of the Town of Georgetown Zoning Bylaw.

G. Severability:

The invalidity of any section or provision of this Bylaw by a Court or Agency of competent jurisdiction shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof, nor shall it invalidate any permit or determination which previously has been issued.

H. Issuance of Building Permit:

No building permit for a Solar Energy Facility shall be issued until the PGA has rendered its' decision on the Site Plan Approval application. Any site clearing or disturbance done on a site proposed for a Solar Energy Facility without a Building Permit shall be deemed improper clearing; a violation of the Town of Georgetown Zoning Bylaw and shall be enforced pursuant to provisions of Chapter 165 Article XVI.

I. Expiration:

A permit issued pursuant to this bylaw shall expire if a Solar Energy Facility is not installed and operational within 24 months from the date of approval, or is discontinued or deemed discontinued pursuant to this bylaw.

J. Violations:

It shall be unlawful for any person to construct, install, or operate a Solar Energy Facility that is not in compliance with this bylaw or with any condition contained in a permit issued pursuant to this bylaw. Alterations or expansion of existing Solar Energy Facilities shall be subject to the provisions of this bylaw.

§ 165-141 Development and Performance Standards.

Any proposed Solar Energy Facility shall be subject to development and performance standards, as set forth below, for the placement, design, construction, monitoring, modification and removal. Such development and performance standards exist to address public safety and minimize impacts on scenic, natural and historic resources of the Town. Whereas all projects must demonstrate compliance with applicable provisions of Section §165, the following standards shall be in addition to and in the effect of a conflict shall take precedence over design standards of Section §165-83 and Appendix 4 Intensity of Use Schedule:

A. Dimension and Density Requirements.

(1) **Setbacks:** The purpose of setbacks is to mitigate adverse impacts on abutting properties. For a Solar Energy Facility, compliance with front, side and rear setbacks shall be as follows:

- (a) Front yard: The front yard shall have a depth of at least 20 feet from the property line provided, however, where the parcel abuts a conservation use, recreational use or residential district, the front yard shall not be less than 50 feet;
- (b) Side yard: Each side yard shall have a depth at least 20 feet from the property line provided, however, where the parcel abuts a conservation use, recreational use or residential district, the side yard shall not be less than 50 feet;
- (c) Rear yard: The rear yard depth shall be at least 20 feet from the property line provided, provided, however, where the parcel abuts a conservation use, recreational use or residential district, the rear yard shall not be less than 50 feet.

(2) The PGA may grant a waiver from setback requirements if the applicant can demonstrate:

- (a) Failing to do so would render the siting of the Solar Energy Facility unfeasible; and

- (b) The waiver will not impede access or egress for maintenance personnel or emergency responders; and
- (c) The waiver will not adversely affect the intent of this bylaw in terms of development and design standards.

B. Design Standards.

- (1) **Lighting:** Lighting of a Solar Energy Facility shall be consistent with Town of Georgetown, state and federal law and shall be limited to that required for safety and operational purposes.
- (2) **Landscaping:** Applicant shall submit a Landscape Plan detailing the following:
 - (a) All proposed changes to the landscape of the site, including temporary or permanent roads or driveways, grading, area of vegetative clearing, all proposed vegetative screening, fencing, planting, exterior lighting and structures;
 - (b) Planting design shall include details of the types and size of plant materials. To the extent feasible or practicable, landscaping shall be designed in an environmentally sensitive manner with non-invasive drought tolerant native plants, so as to reduce irrigation needs and heating and cooling needs;
 - (c) All landscaped areas shall be properly maintained and monitored for at least two growing seasons. Shrubs or trees that die shall be replaced by the applicant or property owner, at their expense, within the first growing season. The long term maintenance of approved landscaping shall be the responsibility of the individual or entity identified in the application for facilities maintenance purposes.
- (3) **Signage:** Location, materials and details of proposed signs shall be submitted. Signs shall comply with the provisions of Article X of Town of Georgetown Zoning Bylaws and shall be limited to:
 - (a) A required sign identifying the owner and providing a 24-hour emergency contact phone number;
 - (b) A sign providing identification of the manufacturer or operator of the solar photovoltaic installation;
 - (c) Educational signs providing information about the facility and the benefits of renewable energy;

No advertising signs shall be permitted.

- (4) **Fencing:** The Applicant shall demonstrate, if required by the PGA, the type and manner of installation for adequate security fencing.

C. Appurtenant Structures:

All such appurtenant structures, including but not limited to, equipment shelters, storage facilities, transformers, and substations, shall be architecturally compatible with each other. Whenever reasonable, structures should be shaded from off-site view by vegetation and joined and/or clustered to avoid adverse visual impacts. Architectural elevation drawings for structures exceeding 500 square feet of gross floor area shall be submitted as part of the application.

D. Utility Connections:

Reasonable efforts, as determined by the PGA, shall be made to place all utility connections from the Solar Energy Facility underground, depending on appropriate soil conditions, shape, and topography of the site and any requirements of the utility provider. Electrical transformers and inverters to enable utility interconnections may be above ground if required by the Town of Georgetown Light Department.

E. Land Clearing and Soil Erosion:

Clearing of natural vegetation shall be limited to what is necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of the solar energy facilities and per best management practices for natural and/or developed areas and otherwise prescribed by applicable laws, regulations, and bylaws, in particular but not limited to Town of Georgetown's Chapter §49 Earth Removal and Chapter §57 Erosion and Stormwater Control. The limit of work will be shown on the approved Site Plan and Proposed Installation Plan.

F. Natural Buffer and Wildlife Corridors:

An undisturbed buffer shall be part of the setback area and maintained between the Solar Energy Facility and the property line. This buffer would only be required on those projects that abut a residential district. The natural buffer should be maintained at or slightly above the highest level of the solar panels. If the natural vegetative visual buffer would have a detrimental effect on the ability to generate power, an alternative screening buffer may be proposed. A Solar Energy Facility shall be designed and constructed to optimize the existence and maintenance of natural buffers and wildlife corridors.

G. Operation, Monitoring and Maintenance:

- (1) **Minimum Maintenance Responsibilities:** The applicant, owner or operator shall maintain the Solar Energy Facility in good condition. The individual or entity responsible for maintenance shall be clearly identified in the application. Maintenance shall include, but not be limited to, painting, structural repairs, and integrity of security measures. Site access shall be provided and maintained to a level acceptable to the Fire Chief and other public safety officials. The owner or operator shall be responsible for the cost of maintaining the Solar Energy Facility and any access road(s) and the cost of repairing any damage occurring as a result of operation and construction. The owner and/or operator shall be responsible for all activities identified until the Facility is discontinued or decommissioned. After decommissioning the property owner shall be responsible for all maintenance;
- (2) **Operation and Maintenance Plan:** As required in and to satisfy Section 165-139.J.

H. Removal / Decommissioning / Discontinuance:

- (1) **Removal Requirements:** Any Solar Energy Facility that has reached the end of its useful life or has been discontinued shall be removed. A Facility not in operation for a period of one hundred and fifty (150) continuous days or more without written permission from the PGA shall be considered discontinued. Upon written request from the Building Inspector addressed to the contact address provided and maintained by the owner and operator as required above, the owner or operator shall provide evidence to the Building Inspector demonstrating continued use of the Facility. Failure to provide such evidence within thirty (30) days of such written request shall be conclusive evidence that the Facility has been discontinued. The owner or operator shall physically remove the installation no more than 150 days after the date of discontinued operations. At least thirty (30) days prior to the proposed date of discontinuation of operations, the owner or operator shall notify the PGA and the Building Inspector by Certified Mail of the proposed date of discontinued operations and include plans for removal. If the owner or operator of the Solar Energy Facility fails to remove the Facility in accordance with the requirements of this section, the Town of Georgetown shall have the right, to the extent it is otherwise duly authorized by law, to enter the property and remove the Facility at the expense of the owner of the Facility and the owner(s) of the site on which the Facility is located.

- (2) **Decommissioning:** shall consist of:

- (a) Physical removal of all solar photovoltaic installations, structures, equipment, security barriers and transmission lines from the site;
- (b) Any municipal utility connections shall be disconnected to the satisfaction of the Municipal Light Department, Highway Surveyor and Fire Department;
- (c) Disposal of all solid and hazardous waste in accordance with local, state, and federal waste disposal regulations;
- (d) Stabilization or re-vegetation of the site as necessary to minimize erosion. The PGA may require submission of a landscape plan showing post decommissioning site conditions for its review and approval. The PGA may allow the owner or operator to leave landscaping or designated below-grade foundations in order to minimize erosion and disruption to vegetation.

Comments – These amendments are proposed in order to: 1) To provide standards and promote the creation of new solar photovoltaic installations by providing standards for the placement, design, construction, operation, monitoring, modification and removal of such installations that address public safety, minimize impacts on scenic, natural and historic resources and to provide adequate financial assurance for the eventual decommissioning of such installations, and 2) Gain designation as a Green Community under the state's Green Communities Act, G.L. c.25A, §10.

Action – Planning Board recommends to the Board of Selectmen the amendment be placed on the warrant for Annual Town Meeting to be voted upon by the registered voters of Georgetown. The Planning Board made this recommendation by a motion and vote during a public hearing on February 25th, 2015. The Planning Board voted 4-0 in the affirmative.

A 2/3 vote is required to approve this article.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

MOTION: Rob Hoover moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty to approve Article 26 as printed in the warrant.

Planning Board Report: Planning Board recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a unanimous vote.

Article 27: Use Regulations and Intensity of Use Schedule: Modifications (ATM15-27)
(Submitted by Planning)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, §165-11 – Use Regulations and Intensity of Use Schedule by *REMOVING* the following use category and the uses thereunder:

Other Uses:	RA	RB	CA	CB	CC	IA	IB	RC
Commercial Radio and Television Transmission	O	A	O	O	O	O	A	A
Signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Temporary Structures	P	P	P	P	O	P	P	P
Pipe Organ Making	O	O	P	O	O	O	O	O
Housing for Elderly	P	A	A	A	A	A	P	A

D = Special Permit by Planning Board, O = An excluded or prohibited use, P = A permitted use and *INSERTING* the following uses in the categories indicated:

	RA	RB	CA	CB	CC	IA	IB	RC
Business Uses:								
Pipe Organ Making	O	O	P	O	O	O	O	O
Signs	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Solar Energy Facilities	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

Industrial Uses:

Commercial Radio and Television Transmission	O	A	O	O	O	O	A	A
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Rural Uses:

Temporary Structures	P	P	P	P	O	P	P	P
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D = Special Permit by Planning Board, O = An excluded or prohibited use, P = A permitted use

or take any other action relative thereto.

A 2/3 vote is required to amend the Zoning Bylaw.

Comments – These amendments to the use regulation and intensity of use schedule are being proposed in order to: 1) Remove the category of "Other" as the term is not an appropriate use category; and 2) Place uses into an appropriate category that properly relates its associated activity to a zone designation; and 3) Organize the use's permitting description to the Town's current zoning district designations.

Note – Uses listed in "Other Uses" category are moved to appropriate use categories with the same permitting designations. These permitting designations are to reflect what is outlined in the current bylaw. Solar Energy Facilities is proposed as a permitted use in all zoning districts. The bylaw for each use requires site plan approval for any facility as to provide the Planning Board with oversight of development. As well, this allows for conformance to the Green Communities Act. In particular, meet the intent of Section 3 of Chapter 40A and "unreasonably regulate." The use Housing for Elderly is no longer in the zoning bylaw articles or in the 165-7 Use Definitions section and should therefore be removed from the use regulations and intensity of use schedule.

Action – Planning Board recommends to the Board of Selectmen the amendment be placed on the warrant for Annual Town Meeting to be voted upon by the registered voters of Georgetown. The Planning Board made this recommendation by a motion and vote during a public hearing on February 23rd, 2015. The Planning Board voted 4-0 in the affirmative.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

MOTION: Rob Hoover moved and it was seconded by Kathleen Sachs to approve Article 27 as printed in the warrant.

Planning Board Report: Planning Board recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

EXPLANATION: Howard Snyder explained that they added categories to better define "Other Uses"

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously.

Article 28: §165 - 69 Accessory Apartments To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, §165-69.2 Affordable Accessory Apartments, by INSERTING the following text:

§165-69.2 Affordable Accessory Housing

Purpose and intent. It is the specific intent of this section to allow accessory apartments, including kitchens, within single-family properties for the purpose of meeting the need for affordable housing by adding units to the town's affordable housing census.

To achieve these goals and to promote the other objectives of this section, specific standards are set forth below for such accessory apartment uses. A special permit issued by the Zoning Board of Appeals may authorize such use that meets the criteria shown below.

REQUIREMENTS

- A. Owner occupancy required. The owners of the single-family lot upon which the accessory apartment is located shall occupy at least one of the dwelling units on the premises. An owner shall not be deemed to occupy a unit unless the owner resides in the premises for a minimum of nine (9) months per year.
- B. The acceptance of the apartment on the State Subsidized Housing Inventory "SHI" by the State Department of Housing and Community Development. Requirements may include, but not be limited to, regulatory agreements, deed riders and other restrictions, limitations and reviews as deemed necessary by DHCD and the permitting authority.
- C. Apartment size. The maximum livable floor area for an accessory apartment shall not exceed 33% of the total livable floor area of the existing primary dwelling or 700 square feet, whichever is greater. In the case of new construction, the aforementioned will apply to the planned primary dwelling. Livable floor area is defined under this chapter. *Editor's Note: See § 165-7 where "livable floor area" is defined.*
- D. The permit shall be suspended if the approved unit is no longer included on the "SHI" and the occupancy permit issued under this Zoning Bylaw shall become null and void
- E. Code compliance. The accessory apartment must be determined to comply with current safety, health and construction requirements before occupancy and at every change in occupancy.
- F. Preservation of single-family characteristics. The accessory apartment shall not change the single-family characteristic of the dwelling except for the provision of an additional access or egress.
- G. There shall be no more than one accessory apartment for a total of two dwelling units permitted per lot.

- H. Dwelling units in new developments may apply for special permit after subdivision road as-builts have been provided and approved by the Planning Board.
- I. The number of apartments approved pursuant to this bylaw shall not exceed ten (10) per year.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Comments - This amendment is proposed in order to: 1) Preserve or create additional accessory housing units within existing owner-occupied homes for the purpose of providing affordable housing units, and 2) Allow for such accessory apartment units to be added to Georgetown's Subsidized Housing Inventory (SHI) in accordance to Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) requirements.

Note - The Affordable Housing Task Force (AHTF) is the proponent of this bylaw amendment will be in attendance at the meeting to discuss the proposed amendment. The AHTF has worked over the past year to formulate the bylaw amendment that is based upon the existing accessory (in-law) apartment bylaw. The AHTF has met and coordinated with the Zoning Board of Appeals as they are the Special Permit Granting Authority for accessory apartments and would be for an Accessory Affordable Housing unit.

Action - Planning Board recommends to the Board of Selectmen the amendment be placed on the warrant for Annual Town Meeting to be voted upon by the registered voters of Georgetown. The Planning Board made this recommendation by a motion and vote during a public hearing on February 25th, 2015. The Planning Board voted 3-1 in the affirmative.

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-3-1)

Planning Board recommend approval. (Vote-3-1)

A 2/3 vote is required to approve this article.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-0-6)

MOTION: David Surface moved and it was seconded by Joe Soucy to approve Article 28 as printed in the warrant.

Planning Board Report: Planning board recommends approval 3-1

EXPLANATION: Wayne Snow from the Finance Committee explained that they voted against this article 0-6 because they felt it needed a little tweaking between the ZBA and the Affordable Housing Committee. It's complicated and confusing.

Matthew Martin from the Affordable Housing Committee explained that we need to stay above our 10% affordable housing

Elizabeth Lowell states she does not believe this would be considered by the state.

Tillie Evangelista said this would be approved by the state and the applicant would need to apply to them.

Pat Ratay stated her and her husband attended the two hearings that were held by the Planning Board and at the first meeting they had too many unanswered questions. At the second hearing she said they hurried to vote on this so it would be in time to make the warrant for this meeting. She spoke to a couple real estate companies who assured her this would decrease home values if this were to happen. She stated only 3 towns in MA have this in place and one of them regrets

ever passing this type of bylaw. We would have no choice on who moved into our homes so do not vote for this article.

Alan Aulson asked if home with under ¼ acre would be exempt from this and his answer was yes.

Paul Nelson, Frank Puopolo and Rob Hoover like the idea of this bylaw.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this did not carry by a 2/3rds vote.

Article 29: Town By-Law Amendment Chapter 15

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 15 of the Town's Bylaws and add the following section: **Removal of dog waste from public property or property of others**

- A. Any person having care, custody or control of a dog shall be responsible for the removal and sanitary disposal of any feces left by his or her dog in or upon any public property, including but not limited to any sidewalk, street, thoroughfare, beach or wetland, or in or upon the property of persons other than the owner or person have care, custody or control of said dog. Any person having care, custody or control of a dog off the property of the owner or person in custody of the dog shall have in his or her possession a device or equipment to pick up and remove dog feces. Individuals with disabilities aided by service dogs and law enforcement, emergency or rescue officials with dogs carrying out official duties are exempt from this paragraph.

B. Violations and Penalties:

Any person found in violation of Chapter 15 by the Animal Control Officer, Assistant Animal Control Officer or a Police Officer shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$30.00 for the first offense; \$50.00 for the second offense and \$150.00 for the third and subsequent offenses. In addition to any other legal remedies that may be available, the Animal Control Officer or other designated enforcing person, may enforce these penalties through the Town's Non-Criminal Disposition as outlined in Chapter 15, Section 5 (M.G.L. 140).

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-4-0)

MOTION: Don Cudmore moved and it was seconded by Phil Trapani to approve Article 29 as printed in the warrant, except that the reference at the end of Section B to "Chapter 15, Section 5 (MGL 140)" be stricken and replaced with "Article II of the Town's General Bylaws"

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.

Article 30: Gift of land Parcel F, 172 East Main Street

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept, for passive recreation purposes, a gift of land shown as "Parcel F, having an area of 14.635 acres, on a plan entitled: "Definitive Plan, Turning Leaf, Georgetown, Ma.", dated Oct. 10, 2013, and recorded with the Essex South Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 445, as Plan 49, and to enter into all agreements and take all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out this acquisition, and further to place such land in the care, custody and control of the Georgetown Conservation Commission, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Majority vote)

Board of Selectmen recommend approval. (Vote-3-1)

MOTION: Gary Fowler moved and it was seconded by Harry LaCortiglia to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept, for recreation purposes, a gift of land shown as "Parcel F, having an area of 14.635 acres, on a plan entitled: "Definitive Plan, Turning Leaf, Georgetown, Ma.", dated Oct. 10, 2013, and recorded with the Essex South Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 445, as Plan 49, and to enter into all agreements and take all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out this acquisition.

DISCUSSION: Laura Repplier, Conservation stated she assumed it would be under the control of the Conservation Commission, why was that not in the motion.

Gary Fowler, Board of Selectmen stated that they voted to accept it as read in the motion.

David Surface responded that the Board of Selectmen changed their vote after consulting with legal counsel as to who should be in control of the land.

Jim DiMento stated this land runs under power lines and could possibly be part of the rail trail someday. He feels this should be under the control of the Selectmen. George Comiskey said there are other accesses on Sawmill, Waldingfield & Fazio Farm Rd. Lou Mammolette said that connectivity rests with this parcel to get from E Main to Martel Way. No building can happen out there due to the large amounts of wetland so for now it should remain under the control of the Board of Selectmen

MOVE THE QUESTION: Motion made by Wayne Snow and seconded by Harry LaCortiglia.

ACTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION: The Moderator declared this passed by a 2/3rds vote.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this article passed by a majority.

Article 31: Intensity of Use Schedule

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by amending Chapter §165-11 – *Intensity of Use Schedule*, specifically to remove footnotes 1, 8, and 9, which footnotes provide as follows:

1. For multiple-family units or apartments, 10,000 square feet per unit for first two units; 10,000 square feet per unit thereafter. All the required area shall consist of continuous building area (CBA) as defined in § 165-7. [Amended 6-4-1973 ATM, Art. 5 (Amdt. No. 44); 6-11-1990 ATM, Art. 37 (Amdt. No. 82)]

8. For multiple-family units, 20,000 square feet per unit for first two units; 10,000 square feet per unit thereafter. All the required area shall consist of continuous building area (CBA) as defined in § 165-7. [Amended 6-11-1990 ATM, Art. 37(Amdt.No.)]

9. For multiple-family units, 40,000 square feet per unit for first two units; 10,000 square feet per unit thereafter. All the required area shall consist of continuous building area (CBA) as defined in § 165-7. [Amended 6-11-1990 ATM, Art. 37]

and further to amend Chapter §165-68 *Apartments*, specifically to delete Section A, which section provides as follows:

There shall be a minimum usable land area of 10,000 square feet for each family or dwelling unit hereafter altered or erected. "Usable Land" shall be constructed to mean land that is continuous, without interruption by a swamp, permanent or semi-permanent body of natural water, such as a brook, river, pond or swamp. All the required area shall consist of continuous building area (CBA) as defined in §165-7. [Amended 6-11-1990 ATM, Art. 37 (Amdt.No.82)]

, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Planning Board does not recommend approval. (Vote-0-4)

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-0-6)

A 2/3 vote is required to amend the Zoning Bylaw.

There is no motion. This article was passed over.

MOTION: Stu Egenberg moved and it was seconded by Phil Trapani to adjourn tonight's town meeting.

ACTION: By a show of hands the Moderator declared this passed by a majority.

The time is 9:46 PM

A true Copy Attest:

Janice M. McGrane
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
MONDAY MAY 11, 2015

The Annual Town Election was held at the Penn Brook School Gymnasium on Elm Street. The Polls were open from 8 AM to 8 PM.

There are 5833 voters in Georgetown. 349 voters turned out for the election which is 6%. * denotes winner.

The results of the election are as follows:

SELECTMAN (Vote for 2)

Charles David Surface *	203
Douglas W. Dawes *	264
Blanks	222
Write Ins	<u>9</u>
Total	698

ASSESSOR (Vote for 1)

David A. Bogdan *	255
Blanks	94
Write Ins	<u>0</u>
Total	349

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—3 Year Term (Vote for 2)

Pamela M. Lundquist *	236
Michael E. Hinchliffe *	218
Blanks	242
Write Ins	<u>2</u>
Total	698

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1 Year Term (Vote for 1)

Suzanne E. MacDonald *	247
Blanks	99
Write Ins	<u>3</u>
Total	349

LIGHT COMMISSIONER (Vote for 1)

Peter D. Dion *	272
Blanks	77
Write Ins	<u>0</u>
Total	349

WATER COMMISSIONER (Vote for 1)

Nicholas P. Lawler *	243
Blanks	105
Write Ins	<u>1</u>
Total	349

PLANNING BOARD-for 5 years (Vote for 1)

Blanks	294
Write Ins	<u>55</u>
Total	349

Tillie Evangelista * won the seat as a write in candidate with 39 of the 55 votes

PLANNING BOARD- For 3 years (vote for 1)

Matthew James Martin *	234
Blanks	101
Write Ins	<u>14</u>
Total	349

PEABODY LIBRARY TRUSTEE-For 3 years (vote for 2)

Walter Chris Laut III *	228
Kevin Francis Moran *	229
Blanks	231
Write Ins	<u>10</u>
Total	698

PEABODY LIBRARY TRUSTEE-For 1 Year (vote for 1)

Blanks	315
Write Ins	<u>34</u>
Total	349

Susan K. Clay * won the seat as a write in candidate with 28 of the 34 votes

GEORGETOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY (Vote for 1)

Blanks	326
Write Ins	<u>23</u>
Total	349

Frank M. Harper won the seat as a write in candidate with 15 of the 23 votes

GEORGETOWN WATER DEPARTMENT FY2015 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

MISSION STATEMENT

The Georgetown Water Department (GWD) strives to operate and maintain the municipal water system cost-effectively and conservatively; while providing a safe, clean, abundant water supply to residents and business for their daily needs and fire protection. Rates are established and reviewed regularly to ensure that anticipated operating costs, emergency system repairs, and necessary capital improvements can be funded with a fiscally-responsible approach.

WATER SYSTEM OVERVIEW

GWD utilizes three groundwater wells to supply water to the town. The water from all three wells is pH adjusted, filtered for iron and manganese removal, chlorinated for bacteria disinfection, and pumped into the distribution system. Additional water storage in the system is handled by three water storage tanks, located off Baldpate Road, to maintain a constant supply. In late-October 2013, GWD shut the elevated tank (next to the golf course) to promote greater use of the tanks on Baldpate Hill – thereby reducing the water age in the tanks and improving water quality in the distribution system.

WATER TREATMENT PROCESS

GWD utilizes a pressure filtration process at the WTP to remove iron and manganese. This process is enhanced by raising the pH level of the source water using Potassium Hydroxide. Two oxidants, Sodium Hypochlorite and Potassium Permanganate, are added to promote iron and manganese precipitation so the particulate form can be captured through pressure filtration. The finished water is chlorinated a second time for disinfection prior to entering the distribution system.

TESTING SUMMARY

Source Water and Distribution System Bacteria Sampling – 72 bacteria samples were collected among three wells (untreated). Total Coliform was detected in 22 of these well samples. E. Coli was not present in any of these samples. 168 bacteria samples were collected from the treated water. This includes sampling the WTP twice/month and 12 distribution system sites monthly. There was No Detection of Coliform or E. Coli in any of the finished water or distribution system samples. This confirms that the WTP chlorination process for disinfection functions properly.

Distribution System Lead & Copper (AL: Lead = 0.015 mg/L; Copper = 1.30 mg/L) – Samples were collected from 20 homes in August. The 90th Percentile Lead = 0.012 mg/L. The 90th Percentile Copper = 0.16 mg/L.

WTP Finished Water Nitrate Sampling (MCL = 10.0 mg/L) – Sample collected April 24th = 0.05 mg/L.

WTP Finished Water Nitrite Sampling (MCL = 1.0 mg/L) – Sample collected April 24th = ND

Distribution System THM Sampling (MCL = 80 ug/L) – Sample collected August 25th = 47.6 ug/L.

Distribution System HAA5 Sampling (MCL = 60 ug/L) – Sample collected August 25th = 13.2 ug/L.

Iron and Manganese Sampling – Annual averages from daily testing to monitor WTP efficiency.

Parameter	MCL or Range	Before Treatment	After Treatment
Iron	0.30 mg/L	5.70 mg/L	0.023 mg/L
Manganese	0.05 mg/L	0.97 mg/L	0.016 mg/L
pH	6.5 – 8.5	6.7	7.0

COLOR, ODOR, AND TASTE ISSUES

For many years, Georgetown water has exhibited poor aesthetic qualities (color, odor, and taste) that have yielded problems in various areas of town. Complaints of staining have been received from customers throughout town. The color is the result of dissolved iron and manganese being oxidized by the chlorine added for bacteria disinfection. Once oxidized, the iron and manganese precipitates to a fine particulate that can attach to laundry, appliances, fixtures, etc. Color problems have also been associated with flow surges in the system from high volume water use or at the beginning of the filter backwash cycle at the WTP.

Odor complaints have been received from many areas of town, but appear to be more common in the north and east sides of town. The odors are more prevalent in the late summer when the temperature of the water in the distribution system rises. Order and taste can be controlled by maintaining a higher chlorine residual. Since excess chlorine is detrimental to the color problem, but beneficial to the odor and taste problem, GWD is constantly trying to balance these two competing issues. In addition, residual chlorine levels are also reduced over the longer travel times to the far ends of the distribution system. Lower water velocity and sediment buildup in the many dead end runs throughout town also contribute to reduced chlorine residuals. These areas also tend to have older water because they are further from the WTP, which is the source of the newest water entering the distribution system. Longer water age is an indicator of diminished water quality. Historically, GWD has flushed the entire distribution system semiannually, and problem areas more often. This has helped to remove much of the sediments from the water mains, and introduce newer water into areas with longer water age. While this effort provides some benefit, it has not eliminated the problems.

GWD has continued working with the DEP Northeast Regional Office and AECOM Engineers of Wakefield, MA to come up with solutions to these issues. Sampling has been performed within the distribution system to further define problem areas. Sampling at the wells, and within the WTP, has been performed to further refine the treatment processes. Some of the key findings include the following:

- Given that the WTP and storage tanks are located on the west side of Town, and the system has over 65 miles of water main, the far ends of the system are subject to long travel times and high water age.
- GWD has difficulty maintaining chlorine residual at the far ends of the system even when approaching the highest chlorination levels just short of discoloring the finished water. There will continue to be tradeoffs between limiting the discoloration of the water, along with associated staining complaints, and reducing odor and taste issues by maintaining higher chlorine residual levels.
- The WTP continues to operate at a very high removal efficiency (98.5-99.5%) despite iron and manganese concentrations in the source waters 2-5 times greater than when the WTP was built. Even at this efficiency, the WTP, at times, can still pass enough iron and manganese to create problems in the system.
- The source wells exhibit high levels of dissolved organics that react with chlorine in the treatment process. This reaction creates DBPs, which can increase cancer risk and other adverse health impacts. Increasing chlorine dosage for odor control will likely increase disinfection byproduct formation.
- Shorter filter runs between backwash cycles results in less chance for delivering poor quality water to the system, but is less efficient and more costly to the operation.

AECOM Engineers completed a Comprehensive Water System Evaluation Report in November 2013. The report included short-, medium-, and long-term improvements to the treatment process and distribution system aimed at improving the water quality. The first of seven short-term recommendations (i.e. taking the elevated tank offline) was implemented in late October 2013 – even as the report was in final draft stage.

In addition, GWD began constructing three other AECOM-designed short-term recommendations in the fall of CY2014. These improvements include the installation of mixers in the concrete water storage tanks on Baldpate Hill, and the modification and relocation of chemical feed systems at the WTP for improved treatment.

GWD personnel conduct monthly system-wide sampling to track water quality changes as improvements are made. This data helps GWD make better decisions on future operational and structural changes to the system.

**Zoning Board of Appeals
Mission Statement
FY15 Town Report**

The Zoning Board of Appeals adjudicates requests placed before them. The ZBA is a quasi-judicial body that operates under the authority of Chapter 40A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the Georgetown Zoning Bylaws Chapter 165 for the purpose of promoting health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the Town of Georgetown.

By statute, The Zoning Board of Appeals must follow strict timelines for their decisions. Anyone aggrieved by a decision of the ZBA may appeal to the relevant judicial body.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.
The Zoning Board of Appeals

Zoning Board Members July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
5 Regular Member Terms and 3 Associate Member terms

Board Members (5)

Gina Thibeault, Chairman
Dave Kapnis
Paul Shilhan
Sharon Freeman
Jeff Moore

Associate Members (3)

Shawn Deane
Vacant
Vacant

Administrative Assistant

Patty Pitari

**FEE SCHEDULE
Effective December 1, 1991
Amended April 7, 1998**

A. Residential Use (single family, personal use)	\$ 200.00
B. Conversion of Single Family Dwelling to Multiple Family or Business Use	\$ 250.00
C. Apartment Complex/Multiple Lot Development	\$ 600.00
D. Industrial/Commercial Use	\$ 600.00
E. Comprehensive Permit (Plus \$100 per unit)	\$1,000.00
F. Water Resource (Water Resource Application)	\$ 450.00
G. Wireless Communication Facilities	\$1,000.00 (Amended 2009)
H. Aggrieved decision of the Building Inspector	Fees to reflect A-E of this schedule

See Next for Public Hearings

**TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Town Report FY15
July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015**

Name of Petitioner Name of Owner (If different) Location & File #	Purpose	Date of Hearing	Date of Decision Stamped T. Clerk	Disposition
#15-01 Constantine G. Scrivanos, Trustee Mystra Realty Trust, 3 Pluff Ave, North Reading, MA, 01864, owner of 64-74 East Main Street (Georgetown Plaza) Assessor's Map 11A, Lot 85	Special Permit for Water Resource District for existing septic system. Required as the owner did not get this permit when the Dunkin Donuts went into the Georgetown Plaza.	8/5/14	8/12/14	Granted
#15-02 118 Jewett Street James Tolman 16 School St. Georgetown	Use Variance to construct a single family home in an Industrial B district which is prohibited.	8/5/14	9/2/14	Petitioner withdrew application without prejudice 9/2/14
#15-03 4 Carleton Drive Barry M. Enos Map 15, Lot 44	Special Permit for Private Educational Use in IB Zone Martial Arts	10/7/14	10/15/14	Granted with Conditions
#15-04 56 Andover Street Map 5A, Lot 15 Vanessa Traniello	Finding and Special Permit to build an addition to the side and rear of the existing dwelling. The existing structure and lot are pre- existing non-conforming.	12/2/14	12/9/14	Granted A Finding & Special Permit

Name of Petitioner Name of Owner (If different) Location & File #	Purpose	Date of Hearing	Date of Decision	Disposition
#15-05 Constantine G. Scrivanos Trustee Mystra Realty Trust, 3 Pluff Ave, North Reading, MA, 01864, owner of 64-74 East Main Street (Georgetown Plaza) Assessor's Map 11A, Lot 85	Request to Amend Special Permit ZBA File # 15-01 for Upgraded Septic System in Water Resource District.	1/6/15 Continued to 2/3/15	2/10/15	Granted with Conditions
#15-06 34 East Main Street Alan P. Aulson & Maureen Aulson of 201 Pond Street	<u>Use Variance</u> for 10 Units Where 2 is allowed per bylaw. <u>Variance</u> for lot frontage & <u>Special Permit</u> for Apartment Building with 10 units.	2/3/15	Applicant Withdrew w/o Prejudice	Withdrew w/o Prejudice
#15-07 3 Farm Lane Cianbro Fabrication & Coating. Richard Brescia, Vice President Atty: Mitchell Kroner	Appeal as a party aggrieved by the determination of the Building Inspector by letter dated 12/1/14, in which the Building Inspector has instructed the applicant to file for a "Modification of Site Plan Approval" since not all of the conditions were met.	3/3/15, continued to 4/7/15, 5/5/15 and 7/7/15, 9/1/15 Extension to 10/6/15	10/19/15	Mitigation Measures Agreed upon
#15-08 Berton E. Rogers of 24R Penn Brook Ave, Georgetown, MA, Assessor's Map 10B, Lot 73C in the RA zone	Modi modify conditions of a previous Special Permit ZBA File #94-4.	4/7/15	4/12/15	Granted with conditions

Name of Petitioner Name of Owner (If different) Location & File #	Purpose	Date of Hearing	Date of Decision	Disposition
#15-09 Barry M. Enos of Ipswich, and John Enos of Danvers, MA, 16 Carleton Drive, Georgetown, MA, Assessor's Map 15, Lots 45 and 68 in the IB zone.	To operate an Archery Studio (private educational use)	5/5/15	5/12/15	Granted with conditions
#15-10 Jared & Courtney Young of 444 North Street, Georgetown MA Assessor's Map 17 Lot 51A.	Special Permit to construct an addition to a single family dwelling for an Accessory Apartment	6/2/15	6/8/15	Granted with Conditions